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BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT AT MOREHOUSE

What promises to be one of the big athletic events of the season is the basketball tournament to be held at Morehouse, Friday, February 22, when teams from half a dozen counties will meet in competition for a loving cup.

Morehouse has a regulation court, has hotel and restaurant facilities second to none in this section, and is able to entertain the contestants, teachers and visitors, in a creditable manner, so friends of contesting teams will be well paid for making the trip.

At the present time Hayti, Cape Girardeau, Dexter, Bridges, Sikeston, Morehouse and two other schools will compete.

The Standard heartily approves of the tournament, and all other school activities, as it brings the young folks together and should create a better school spirit in every town and better understanding with one another.

WILL REMOVE RURAL SCHOOL HANDICAP

Jefferson City, Mo., February 12.—There is serious discrimination against the children in one-teacher rural and hamlet schools according to State Superintendent Chas. A. Lee. He cited figures from a recent book saying there are 11,000,000 children in these schools who are lamentably handicapped and neglected. Lee said the per capita expenditure for these schools was \$24 a year and \$40 a year for city children and the average school term is thirty-eight days shorter for one-teacher schools than in city schools. Furthermore Lee showed that 150,000 rural teachers have never completed a four-year high school and ten per cent of 30,000 teachers have only finished the eighth grade.

"We are going to give just as much attention to the rural schools of Missouri as we give to the high schools so this handicap may be removed," said Lee.

A recent ruling of the Department effective September, 1924 provides that no rural school can be approved as first class unless the teacher has ten hours of professional training above a four-year high school and holds a first grade certificate or its equivalent. Thirty hours of college work will be equivalent. For approval as a second class rural school the teacher must have ten hours of professional college work above a four-year high school and hold a second grade certificate.

SIKESTON GIRL SOLVES PROBLEM

Thome Johnson, the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Johnson of this city, received a check for \$100, Saturday morning last, from the Red Cross Cough Drop Co., of St. Louis, for being the first to solve an advertising puzzle that they put out. This was quite a nice sum to receive by the young Miss and The Standard extends congratulations to her.

W. L. Mitchell left Monday night for St. Louis.

Walter Matthews of Vanduser spent Tuesday in Sikeston.

Jerry Cavanaugh of Canalou was in Sikeston Tuesday, on business.

✓Born to Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutcheon, Sunday, February 10, a daughter.

Don't forget the pancake and waffle sale that is to be given Saturday, February 16, at Dudley's Cafe from 5 to 8 p. m.

Warren Fuqua, another real, regular fellow, who had a herd as good as was ever founded, has been making both ends meet lately by buying mules. And he is some mule man if you ask me. And, of course, I should know. I'm half brother to 'em. The mules I mean. Well, the other day Warren was out lookin' over a pair and some way or another connected with a mule's foot—this mule back-fired I reckon—and now Warren is laid up with a big scar on his face. He was a nice lookin' fellow, too. Well, he shouldn't worry—look at me and my looks. The smallpox I thot had ma-nigh ruined me and I'm as happy as ever.—Jumps Cauthorn in Poland China Journal.

SPECIAL

A groupe of Men's Silk Hose—just arrived—Saturday

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Friday and Saturday

We present to you a tremendous showing of New Spring Coats, Suits and Dresses. Marvelous bargains in these bewitching new garments will impel careful buyers to purchase them.

Our Special Showing of Distinctive Millinery is dazzling in the infinite variety of ultra-chic modes it reveals. Special prices on these new models for Saturday Only

\$2.75 - - - \$3.75 - - - \$5.50

NEW

Dame Fashion most wanted Collars in Laces and Linens—Just the thing to make your dress look fresh for spring

PROBE WHOLE SYSTEM, PLAN OF VANDERLIP

New York, February 13.—Frank A. Vanderlip today indirectly suggested an inquiry into the conditions of sale of "a certain Marion newspaper, which sold for \$550,000 when it was well known to everyone that it was not worth half that sum".

Speaking before the Rotary Club at Ossining, New York, Vanderlip started his audience first into silence and then into murmurs of suppressed excitement and finally cheers when he continued:

"Two young men of no financial standing purchased that paper. (President Harding sold his Marion Star for approximately the sum mentioned by Vanderlip shortly before his death.) Everybody in Washington knows this but no one wants to look under the edge of a shroud.

"Where did the money come from? Where did it go? These are matters of public interest".

In his speech as published here today, the financier's utterances constituted the climax of an impassioned plea for a general house-cleaning by President Coolidge in Washington.

"The last administration, he said, 'stands challenged. We cannot wait for Congress or the courts, especially when we remember that Mr. Daugherty is attorney general. Lack of courage and leadership is the under lying evil in American life today. Coolidge has a great opportunity but he needs sufficient courage to go to the bottom regardless of which party he hits'.

Striking out at different individuals who have figured in the Teapot Dome probe, Vanderlip said William G. McAdoo, "like any boy with stolen jam, dropped his client immediately after the client had testified before the investigation committee."

Of the committee itself said "The associates of Senator Walsh are very improper investigators of any moral question. Jim Reed is a political skunk and if he were dusted with asafetida it would perfume him."

"The Senate," he declared, "did not go further in investigating Secretary Fall because Fall was ready to 'peach' and what he would have said would have gone into high places. They did not dare."

Vanderlip then swept into charges against the Veterans Bureau, the shipping board and "the sinister activity of Attorney General Daugherty."

FOURTH OF JULY BLOWOUT HERE

The Fourth of July celebration held at Sikeston last year under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce, was a civic success long to be remembered by those attending. The Chamber of Commerce intends to make these celebrations an annual affair and The Standard herein makes the announcement.

A program will be announced in due time that will meet the approval of the public, and with the backing of our merchants and the co-operation of our citizens, will be a gala affair long to be remembered by those attending.

Other towns not celebrating will be invited to Sikeston and every effort will be made to show them a good time.

Of course, the young folks, and those who are tolerably young, will find the dance hall the great attraction and music that would make a wooden legged man shake his timber, will be provided.

This is but hie advance notice that the Fourth will be observed in fitting style at Sikeston this year and you are expected to set your house in order and help us make a great success.

Mrs. Clem Stucker and Mrs. Jack Reynolds were Tuesday shoppers in Cairo.

Mrs. Fred Smith and little daughter of Morehouse attended the all day meeting of the W. B. A. here, Monday.

The Home Missionary Society booth No. 1 of the Baptist Church, will give a bake sale at the Hess Drug Store, Saturday. The public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Ray Smith returned Wednesday night from New York. Supt. Ellise of the High School, returned from Memphis, Tenn., Thursday morning, where he had been on business.

OPEN MEETING OF WOMAN'S CLUB

A very delightful meeting of the Woman's Club was held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Dempster, on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Jas. Mocabee was hostess for the afternoon assisted by a committee from the Club.

Mrs. B. F. Blanton acted as leader for the afternoon in the absence of Mrs. Vigal.

The program for the afternoon was a Mark Twain program and Mrs. B. F. Blanton gave a brief, but interesting talk of Mark Twain's life. Mrs. Carroll followed with a reading from a short story by Mark Twain, which was thoroughly enjoyed.

Mrs. D. B. Smith, of Cape Girardeau, who is President of the Ninth District, with Miss Mary Kotitzky, who is Secretary of the Wednesday Club, of Cape Girardeau, were guests of the Club. Mrs. Smith addressed the Club on matters pertaining to Club work. Her talk was appreciated and will surely get results.

Miss Violet Benson sang very sweetly, "The Fairies in the Garden".

The Woman's Club voted to assist in every way possible in the oratorical contest that is to be held in all appointed to select same. It is just certain the visiting contestants who will come to Sikeston for the final test.

The Club will also award the winner in the Sikeston High School, a prize as an incentive for a large number of entries. A committee will be appointed to select same. It is just possible that the other Clubs in the different parts of the county who send contestants to the tryout in Sikeston, will award the winner in their respective schools to be given at the same time.

At the conclusion of the business and program, a delicious fruit salad course was served. A silver offering was accepted for the benefit of the Mark Twain Memorial Park in Northeast Missouri and a nice sum was realized.

S. B. Hardwick spent Monday at Bertrand on business.

Mrs. I. H. Dunaway and Mrs. Josie Hart of Morehouse were in Sikeston Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barnett returned Tuesday morning from Texas, where they had been for several days.

Homer Lynn, of Charleston, representing the Standard Computing Scale Co., was in Sikeston this week. He would be glad to receive inquiries from anyone and will give all prompt attention. pd.

The Women Benefit Association gave an all day meeting at the I. O. O. F. hall Monday, with several members and visitors present. At noon a delightful lunch was served which was enjoyed by everyone. The afternoon was spent going over business affairs.

J. G. Lee of Parkin, Ark., and Charlie Jen of Crawfordville, Ark., Chinamen, arrived in Sikeston Tuesday morning, looking for a grocery store. Chinese grocery stores usually carry a line of oriental groceries and notions as well as groceries as handled in all stores of this section. These men seem to be well educated and will locate here if they can secure a room.

ANOTHER BIG DRIVE IS NOW ON

A drive to put Sikeston at the head of the list of cities of Southeast Missouri, is now on. Co-operation and determination put over the Shoe Factory Drive in record time. Co-operation and determination will put over this second bigger and more far-reaching drive. At the head of the organizations engaged in this new drive stands the Chamber of Commerce, but to properly CARRY ON this body must have more members. No business can be run without revenue. Neither can the Chamber of Commerce.

The Finance Committee has allotted the membership and has set the goal at 300. They have also ordered a list of paid up members to be published the first of March, June, September and December. This will be the Chamber of Commerce Honor Roll. It behooves every business man or woman to do his or her part. Will your name appear on the Roll?

The Drive for new members starts Tuesday morning. Every real Sikestonian will 'Stand By the Guns'.

Homer Lynn, of Charleston, was a business visitor here Thursday.

Tickets now on sale at Dudley's Place for the Grade School Operetta. Have your's reserved now.

Albert Brown, who was seriously injured in the automobile wreck last Friday night, still remains unconscious, while Mark Sullivan has regained consciousness and has spoken a few words. It has been reported that there are slight hopes for Brown's recovery.

Last week The Standard stated that the Farmers Supply Co. Hardware Department would be moved to the Young-Mayfield Building at the same time the Farmers Grocery Co. would move. This was an error. The hardware company will remain at their present stand under the ownership of White & Dorroh. The Farmers Grocery is owned by a different firm and they expect to be installed in the Young-Mayfield Building about March 1.

The W. C. T. U. held an all day meeting at the home of Mrs. Maude Stubbs, with about forty members present. The meeting was opened by a song, "Some Glad Day", by congregation. Scripture lesson 146 Psalm by Mrs. Kready. Decoration of Principals was given by Mrs. C. Greer. The Frances Willard acoustic was given by 15 women. Song by congregation, "Win a Million Members". Reading, "Wake Up Women," by Mrs. T. P. Russell. Accomplishments of 1923 by Mrs. Mabel Baker. The total amount for the year was given by Mrs. Robert Law. The meeting adjourned at 12:00 for lunch. The meeting was again opened at 1:30 by Mrs. Stubbs, with a prayer. A solo was given by Miss Helen Hess, accompanied by Mrs. Ruskin Cook. Miss Busy Body Joins the W. C. T. U., was given by Mrs. Harvey Morrison. A talk on the constitutional Amendments by Mrs. Walter McGee. A reading by Mrs. John Fox, an address by Mrs. Mary Milem, Women's responsibility for the passage of and enforcement of the 18th Amendment. The meeting was enjoyed by everyone present.

M'Adoo Has 'Come Clean'

St. Louis, February 11.—"McAdoo is fully vindicated and will run stronger than ever in Missouri" C. C. Oliver, state manager for the ex-secretary of the treasury, said tonight, after reading William G. McAdoo's testimony before the senate oil committee today.

The feeling among McAdoo leaders here is that Mr. McAdoo has "come clean". The conference planned for this week to switch from McAdoo to an uninstruted anti-Reed delegation will not be held.

Charles M. Hay of this city, who has been fighting Reed for four years, in a statement tonight said "he is the same Reed who helped them (the Republicans) into the places they have corrupted. The foul brood he now denounces was hatched in the nest his unfaithful hands helped to build. The Reed who hits McAdoo below the belt is the Reed who helped the inhuman pack to hound Wodorow Wilson to his grave."

Mr. Hay placed responsibility for drawing Mr. McAdoo into the oil inquiry upon Senator Reed.

Mr. Oliver, in a formal statement issued from McAdoo headquarters tonight, said:

"The testimony given by Mr. McAdoo on the witness stand today in Washington was in keeping with what his friends had expected. It shows beyond the shadow of a doubt his connection with Mr. Doheny was entirely professional and in the capacity of an attorney he gave his employer the same character of service he gave the public as an official.

"Mr. McAdoo came off the witness stand with flying colors, because he completely vindicated himself in the eyes of all who heard him. But how about Mr. Reed? According to information volunteered by Senator Leno and Senator Walsh, both members of the senate investigating committee, it now is clear Mr. Reed's connection with the whole affair was nothing more than an attempt to pay a part of his debt to the Republican party, and, at the same time, embarrass an opponent. Mr. Reed had remained absolutely silent on the oil investigation until he saw an opportunity to 'snitch.' But the effort to embarrass his opponent had the effect of belittling his own campaign in the minds of those who want to see politics played on the square."

Miss Nadine Moore of Charleston was the Wednesday guest of Mrs. Moore Greer.

The pupils of the Fifth to Eighth Grades will give an operetta next Wednesday evening at the Malone Theatre, the proceeds to be applied as a piano for their school. Turn out and help the children out.

Among the out-of-town visitors from Charleston, who attended the Leap Year dance Wednesday night, were Misses Martha Johnson, Helen Chapman, Margaret Moore, Nadine Moore, Viva Gay and Louise Stewart.

Don't forget the U. D. C. Benefit Bridge party that is to be given at the home of Mrs. W. W. Hinchey Thursday, February 21. Admission 50c. Anyone can make reservations for table by calling any member of the U. D. C. If you care to play Mah Jong bring your set. The public is invited.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Darrell Harris who teaches school at Gideon, spent the week-end with homefolks.

Hary McFarland, traveling salesman, was at home this week-end.

The stork visiting the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Reynolds, Monday, brought a fine baby boy, weighing 7½ pounds. The mother was formerly Miss Mayme Mocabee of this city. Mr. Reynolds is regularly making a 70-mile trip in the evening to get acquainted with his first born. His name is Judson McKinley, Jr.

The Tiger basketballs defeated the Dexter Five Tuesday evening by the overwhelming score of 41 to 13. Three regulars, Cain, Headlee and Parmley were taken out at the end of the first quarter and the game was played with second string men.

Miss Hattie Harp has just received a new Ford coupe.

John Peeler is here from Blytheville, Ark., to see his son Jack, who has been sick with pneumonia.

The date for the Senior play has been set for next week. It is being given early this year to avoid conflicts with later activities. The Seniors are working day and night to get in form for a real live entertainment.

The Juniors of the High School entertained the Seniors at the Triangle Club Tuesday night. A very lively evening was spent in playing games and other forms of amusement.

Miss Gretchen Dunaway, who is teaching in Harrisburg, Ill., spent the week-end with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Dunaway.

The Himmelberger Land Company is opening up some new sections of land just north of Morehouse on very easy terms for small tracts of land. It is rumored they will soon establish an office in Morehouse.

A Pig Club has been formed in Morehouse. Eleven boys have joined. The first meeting was held Friday in the Directors room of the Bank of Morehouse, Scott Julian, New Madrid County Agent, presiding, and Bryce Edwards, assisting. A very peppy Club is desired. Any boys who would like to get in on the race, can join. The program is a community farmers' fair and sale next fall and exhibition at various fairs. Some of the boys are joining the Missouri Ruralist State-wide Contest.

Wm. Lowe, as Scoutmaster, and Jesse Wilkins, assistant, have re-organized the Boy Scouts of this city. Three troops have been formed. Henry Hart, Lewis Tickell and Byron Stanley are patrol leaders.

R. C. Finley spent Tuesday in Oran.

Misses Frances Richards and Leona Gallivan of New Madrid attended the dance Wednesday night.

The Ben Hur Lodge held their regular meeting at the I. O. O. F. Hall Wednesday night. Mr. Bradshaw of Arkansas, gave an interesting lecture, which was very much enjoyed.

Bill Carson has announced for Chief of Police of Sikeston and asks for your consideration election day. Everybody knows Bill and knows he will do his duty, if elected, without fear or favor.

REED DESCRIBED AS TRAITOR TO COUNTRY

Columbia, S. C., February 12.—The South Carolina House of Representatives has withdrawn its invitation to address it extended to Senator Reed of Missouri, candidate for the Democratic nomination for President. The House's action, taken last night after a vehement discussion in which only two members expressed opposition, does not affect similar invitations extended to Senator Underwood of Alabama and William G. McAdoo, other candidates for the nomination.

Senator Reed was assailed for his opposition to policies of Woodrow Wilson and also was described during the debate as "a traitor to his country". The resolution withdrawing the invitation states that he "does not represent the highest ideals of the people of this state and is not in thorough accord with the Democratic party, and in our opinion would not be supported by the electorate of South Carolina".

Representative Hanahan of Fairfield opposing the withdrawal as the 'act of schoolboys', voiced the opinion that Senator Reed during the war "should have been placed with his back to a wall in front of a firing squad." Representative Gray of Spartanburg, the other opponent of the resolution, held that the action would be "rude" and vigorously criticized executive appointments made during the Wilson administration—including that of Banbridge Colby, "a rank Republican"—because of the staunch church or party affiliations of the official man.

The Mule Party

The night was raw, the party raw-

er; I wish that I had never seen her. We both were stewed, she was the stwider;

I wish to 'ell, I'd never knew-der. Someone must lose—I was the looser.

She craved more hooch, could I refuse her?

The town was dry and she was dryer;

White Mule was all that I could buy her.

We found a still, approached the stiller,

And bought a quart of red "Blues Killer".

Now she was sick, but I was sick-

er, So I laid off this bootleg liquor.

They called it "Splint", stirred with a splinter,

And now she rests, where they don't have winter.—Contributed.

Ray Burns spent Sunday at Cape Girardeau with friepds.

Mrs. Jas. Cresap of Gideon, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. J. C. Lescher.

The Leap Year dance that was given by the Sikeston girls Wednesday evening was largely attended, several out-of-town people being present. It was reported a wonderful success. We have also been asked to thank the following for their patronage: Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan, Hebbel-

Bros., O. W. McCutchen, Ford Sales Co., W. A. White, Geo. Dempster, Missouri Public Utilities Co., and the Sikeston Construction Co.

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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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and adjoining counties \$1.50
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United States \$2.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Tom Scott as a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce F. K. Sneed of Chaffee for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Parm A. Stone of Sikeston for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce L. P. Gober of Vanduser for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

COUNTY ASSESSOR

We are authorized to announce Chas. A. Stallings, of Morley, for Assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Geo. C. Bean, of Ilmo, for assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

CHIEF OF POLICE

We are authorized to announce W. R. Burks for Chief of Police of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce J. H. Hayden, for Chief of Police, of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce J. B. Randol for Chief of Police of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Bill Carson for Chief of Police of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

POLICE JUDGE

We are authorized to announce Jos. W. Meyers for Police Judge of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce J. C. Lescher for Police Judge of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

CITY COLLECTOR

We are authorized to announce S. N. Shepherd for City Collector of Sikeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

Mrs. Wallace Reid will be on the film at the Malone Theatre Friday evening in "Human Wreckage." This is a story of 'dope' that finally killed Wallace Reid. This should draw a packed house as it is more or less personal to every community in the country.

The Missouri Farmers Association with headquarters at Columbia have issued a bulletin on Constitutional Amendments and are advising all farmers to vote "No" on Nos. 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 12, 13, 14 and 15. They might just as well advise farmers to vote "No" on all of them in order to make no mistake.

The editor takes the following extract from a private letter from Washington, D. C.: "The flowers for Wilson were wonderful, the entire church or chapel was so covered that it looked as if it was made of flowers. They were sent from every State in the Union and from every country in the world. People who were opposed to Wilson ideas wept to see and to think of the struggle he had put up for the past four years."

The members of the Chamber of Commerce made no mistake, Monday night, in the selection of officers for the new year. In Mr. Brenton, the president, we have new blood that is in position to keep in touch with all new enterprises that might be gotten for Sikeston. The Standard promises close co-operation with Mr. Brenton and assistants, and will do anything in its power to assist them in making Sikeston a bigger and better city. To the retiring president, John A. Young, we wish to express our appreciation of the hard work performed by him as president, and to say that he was never asleep on the job and part of the time had little support and encouragement. His term of office will stand out as a red letter term in the history of Sikeston as it was during his administration that the big shoe factory was induced to locate in our city. May the public take more interest in the Chamber of Commerce is our wish.

As Between McAdoo and Reed

Development at Washington last Friday, while temporarily unfavorable to Mr. McAdoo, have served the good purpose of causing people to inquire into the propriety of public men engaging in private employment.

Which was worse, people are asking for McAdoo, a private citizen, to practice law in a legitimate way for a corporation in matters having nothing whatever to do with properties in the United States, or for James A. Reed, a public servant, to practice law for either corporations or individuals if such practice deprives his constituents of his services at times when matters of very grave importance are pressing for solution?

There is regret, of course, among McAdoo's admirers that he had business relations of any sort with the Doheny company, since the public is now in such a state of mind, due to wholesale corruption in Government circles from oil leases, that even a minister of the Gospel could hardly carry a coal oil can out of a village grocery store without becoming an object of suspicion. But, in spite of all this, even the worst enemies of Mr. McAdoo concede that it was just as legitimate for him, a private citizen to draw a salary from Doheny's company for professional services as it is for the thousands of other private citizens who serve as clerks, truck drivers, accountants and managers.

If, however, Mr. McAdoo, a private citizen, is to be condemned for practicing law as a private citizen, why are we to say about James A. Reed and others who neglect public interests, as he did when the Newberry case was before the Senate, in order to serve private clients in distant courts?

While nobody claims that the public lost anything through the service McAdoo, the private citizen, rendered to the Doheny company, who knows but that great benefits to a tax-ridden and plundered nation might have resulted if Mr. Reed had been directing his terrific powers of invective against tariff barons and other sorts of profiteers from his seat in the Senate during the weeks and months he was looking after his own interests and the interests of his clients hundreds of miles from the national capital? And who knows but that the two cents a pound tariff tax we pay on clothing, shoes, provisions, machinery and other necessities of life, might have been entirely eliminated, or at least greatly modified, if Mr. Reed could have found time to contend as earnestly against them in the Senate as he did at times for clients whose cases before juries took him away from duties which had first claim on his attention in Washington?

We are not defending Mr. McAdoo, of course, for there is no charge of improper conduct against him. Whether his name was dragged into the inquiry at Washington for the purpose of destroying him as a presidential possibility, to distract attention from corruption in Government circles, or for the public welfare, is a matter on which there is a difference of opinion. What we are objecting to is any attempt to turn McAdoo's temporary misfortune to the political advantage of a public man whose practice of law, even though for clients of the highest type, may really deserve more criticism under the circumstances than that of Mr. McAdoo.—Paris Appeal.

The editor knows just how it feels to be an old man as he has been in bed part of the time during the week bungled up with a severe cold in the head. We know what used to be good for this sort of feeling, but hy-drant water doesn't touch the spot.

One bandeau for evening wear shown in New York today is an extremely odd archaic crown of dull gold. Its plain, wide band is ornamented simply with a "Walls of Troy" pattern that stands out fully half an inch. The bandeau is made of gold galloon.

Between cooking and washing, Mrs. Eliza Swope, aged 66 years, of Bettsville, O., finds time to build homes. She is on her third dwelling and has built several barns and frame structures. She draws the plans herself, orders the material and hires the help. But she works, too, wielding a hammer, scaling ladders and toting a hod.

On Wednesday night, February 20, at the Malone Theatre, the Japanese Operetta, "Yanki San" will be presented by the children of the upper grades of our public schools. This is the third and last operetta this year and it is hoped that there will be a full house in order that the last payment may be made on the new Miesner piano, which the children have bought this year with their entertainments.

The Longevity of Presidents

The death of Woodrow Wilson after being out of office less than three years recalls the fact that one President lived more than twenty-five years after bidding goodbye to the White House. That was John Adams, who lived four months longer than a quarter of a century after his term expired.

Six presidents died in office. They were William Henry Harrison, who was President only one month; Zachary Taylor, who was President a little over a year; Warren G. Harding, who died August 2, 1923, after serving two years, four months and twenty-nine days, and Abraham Lincoln, James A. Garfield and William McKinley, who were assassinated.

Grover Cleveland lived eleven years three months and twenty days after completing his second term, but as he was an ex-President four years before his second term began he is entitled to fifteen years, three months and twenty days.

Three former presidents died on the Fourth of July. They were John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, who passed away on Independence day, 1826, and James Monroe, who died July 4, 1831. James K. Polk lived only three months and eleven days after his term expired.

The length of time former presidents lived after retiring from office follows:

John Adams, 25 years, 4 months; Martin Van Buren, 21 years, 4 mo., 20 days; Millard Fillmore, 21 years, 3 days; James Madison, 19 years, 3 months, 24 days; John Quincy Adams, 18 years, 11 months, 19 days; Thomas Jefferson, 17 years, 4 mo.; John Tyler, 16 years, 10 months, 14 days; Grover Cleveland, 15 years, 3 months, 20 days; Franklin Pierce, 12 years, 7 months, 4 days; Rutherford B. Hayes, 11 years, 10 months, 13 days; Theodore Roosevelt, 9 years, 10 months, 2 days; Ulysses S. Grant, 8 years, 4 months, 18 days; Andrew Jackson, 8 years, 3 months, 4 days; Benjamin Harrison, 8 years, 9 days; James Buchanan, 7 years, 2 months, 28 days; Andrew Johnson, 6 years, 4 months, 27 days; James Monroe, 6 years, 19 months, 30 days; George Washington, 2 years, 7 months, 10 days; Chester A. Arthur, 1 year, 8 months, 4 days; James K. Polk, 1 year, 1 day.

William Howard Taft, chief justice of the supreme court of the United States, is the only living ex-President. He has been out of office since March, 1913.

Marie Angelique, Duchess of Fontanges, was the successor to Mme. Montespan in the affections of Louis XIV. "She was beautiful as an angel, but silly as a goose," said the Abbe Choisi of her. As soon as she had thoroughly captivated the monarch she became haughty and extravagant, spending at times as much as 100,000 crowns a month. She became the general dispenser of the King's favors, and the model of fashion. Made a Duchess by the King, she did not long enjoy the rank and honors, as she died at the age of 20, in the Convent of Port Royal, at Paris.

The death of Woodrow Wilson will serve to focus the contempt of the nation he served so nobly upon those hate-ridden members of the United States Senate who were persecuting a New York girl, personal secretary to Edward Bok, when the former president was stricken last week.

Bok, it will be remembered, had offered \$100,000 for the best plan for securing world peace through international co-operation. For this heinous offense anti-Wilson Senators demanded an investigation. Bok's girl secretary was hailed to the witness stand. Day after day, while Agriculture was perishing and the masses of America were being mulcted by entrenched privilege from behind its tariff barriers, those august statesmen, who ought to have been standing forth as champions of their oppressed constituents, were grilling that girl like she was an outlaw, while Big Business, its sides shaking with laughter, continued to pick the pockets of the poor. The inquisition, of course, was inspired by hatred of Woodrow Wilson and his efforts to end war, just as the Jewish Sanhedrin's persecution of helpless girls and consecrated men was by malice for a martyred Prince of Peace two thousand years ago. And, even as men in the last judgment will cry out for the rocks and the mountains to fall upon them and hide them from Omnipotent wrath, as the Scriptures foretell, so will certain members of the United States Senate feel like doing, we imagine, as the world turns from grieving at Woodrow Wilson's grave and lets loose upon them the contempt it feels for the course they were pursuing when this Twentieth Century Martyr to Christian ideals was stricken last week.—Paris Appeal.

FARM BUREAU NEWS FROM NEW MADRID

Cotton Schools

The farmers of Dunklin and Mississippi Counties are very enthusiastic over the results of the cotton schools held in their counties by Ide P. Trotter, cotton specialist for the University of Missouri. Mr. Trotter has proved to them that he knows his subject and has been able to inform them on many points of vital interest in the growing of cotton. He will hold a series of these schools in New Madrid County.

Portageville, February 15, at 1:00 p. m.

New Madrid, February 18, at 11:00 a. m., Courthouse.

Parma, February 19, at 10:30 a. m., Odd Fellows Hall.

Gideon, February 20, at 10:00 a. m., Opera House.

Libourn February 21, at 10:00 a. m., City Hall.

Matthews, February 22, at 10:00 a. m., City Hall.

Marston, February 23, at 10:00 a. m., City Hall.

Every farmer intending to grow cotton this next year should make it a point to attend, at least, one of these schools. They cost nothing and they will be worth real money to him. He will learn the things that most cotton growers have had to learn through bitter experience and at great cost.

Millinery Specialist Visits New Madrid County.

Miss Mary E. Robinson, Millinery Specialist for the University of Missouri, conducted a two day school in hat making for the women of New Madrid County. The school was held at Libourn and many from several other communities attended.

New styles of hats were made and trimmed and children's hats were also made. The school was very much of a success, and the women attending were very pleased with the result obtained. Said one, "I am now able to make my children's hats at a very small cost."

Miss Robinson will return to New Madrid County in the near future to conduct a school in garment making. Without a doubt, the school will be well attended as Miss Robinson has proven that she is not only good at making hats and clothing, but is also able to pass this information to others.

New Madrid County Receives Visit From Soil and Field Crops Expert.

A. C. Carter, Field Crops and Soil Specialist of the University of Missouri, was in New Madrid County during the past week. Mr. Carter made a trip for the special purpose of locating a farmer to put on a field crop rotation demonstration.

The rotation that he had figured out was cotton, corn, wheat and clover. "This," said Mr. Carter, "ought to solve the rotation problem for Southeast Missouri. It is almost impossible to get less than four-year rotations where cotton is included in the rotations, however, a four-year rotation if followed, will prove more satisfaction in the end than a shorter one."

Mr. Carter talked to several farmers and while he did not make any definite statement, it is believed that he has found a farmer to carry on this demonstration.

Sodatol Lowest Priced Agricultural Explosive

"Sodatol is absolutely the cheapest agricultural explosive ever distributed to the farmers of Missouri," states A. J. McAdams, Extension Specialist in Land Clearing for the Missouri

College of Agriculture, in an address at Gideon to the Directors and members of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau, Wednesday night. Mr. McAdams further stated that there is not the slightest intimation that there will ever be a cheaper explosive available.

In order to show what it means to use Sodatol to blast stumps and what it means to use dynamite for the same purpose Mr. McAdams used the following figures: Suppose you have an acre of ground having 50 stumps on it. Assuming that it would take an average of three sticks of dynamite to blast one of these stumps, the dynamite would cost about 36 cents and the cost of blasting the acre would be \$18.00. By using Sodatol and placing an equal amount under the stump, it would cost about nine cents to blast one stump and to blast the fifty stumps on the acre would cost \$4.50. "This shows," states Mr. McAdams, "that a saving of about 250% is affected by using Sodatol as compared to using commercial dynamite after the Sodatol is exhausted. In view of these facts, I know of no better time to blast stumps at the maximum saving of dollars and cents than at the present time while the Sodatol is available."

According to statistics, the annual income from agricultural products in Southeast Missouri is \$42,000,000 from 1,800,000 acres of improved and partially improved land. This annual income could be materially increased one-half in the stumps occupying cultivated fields were removed. This would bring a much larger income to the farmer at a lower cost of production and would tend to make more efficient farms.

Use warm milk in mixing a baked custard to prevent the water that often settles in the bottom of baking dishes.

A little vinegar or lemon juice added to the water in which cabbages are cooked improves the flavor and color and lessens the odor which arises from such vegetables while cooking.

The blouse that tears out under the arms is not useless. Cut off the upper portion of the blouse sew a wide ribbon or lace at top of the remaining section, add shoulder straps and you have a camisole that will give you good service.

MISS REBA HELTON WEDS SIKESTON MAN

Miss Reba Helton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Helton, North Cape, on Saturday, became the bride of J. L. Glass of Sikeston. The couple were married by Justice of the Peace C. M. Gilbert, 137 North Main. Following the ceremony, a dinner was served at the home of the bride. The couple will make their home in Sikeston, where Glass is the proprietor of a pool room.—Cape Missourian.

Excellent Pot Roast

Choose the round of beef, known as the pot roast. Put 2 tablespoons of lard and 2 tablespoons of butter in a stew pan over a medium fire; place roast in vessel and cover for three or

four minutes, then put 5 or 6 small white onions around the roast and pour a bit of vinegar on top of the roast, covering quickly and browning first on one side and then on the other until brown on all sides.

Add 1 cup of lukewarm water and when it is almost gone add more. Do not permit steam of kettle to evaporate because it has a tendency to make the meat tough. Cook until tender then remove meat.

By this time the onions will be cooked into a heavy gravy and should be dark brown in color; then add 2 tablespoons cornstarch moistened with a little cold water, and ½ cup of canned tomatoes or tomato puree; stir all together until quite thick.

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MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

One of the best meetings held by the Chamber of Commerce during the past year, was that of Monday, at which time officers for the new year were elected. Fifty members were present, as well as ten non-members.

The officers elected were: President, C. E. Brenton; 1st Vice-President, R. G. Applegate; 2nd Vice-President, C. E. Mitchell; 3rd Vice-President, J. A. Young; 4th Vice-President, J. L. Matthews; 5th Vice-President, J. T. Foster; Finance Committee, O. W. McCutcheon, Ed Fuchs, J. W. Black, M. M. Beck, H. Hebbeler. In securing this corps of officers the Chamber of Commerce is especially fortunate in that every last one of them is a hustling, public-spirited, individual who is not afraid to give some of his valuable time in the interest of the community without expectation of remuneration and without fear of losing a little money while being absent from his business while on such community work.

The report of the President, which is printed below, sets out the accomplishments of the Chamber of Commerce during the past year and contains certain suggestions for the new year. This report speaks for itself. It is a splendid report and was well received by the audience.

But in addition to the matters mentioned in the report which were freely discussed, other matters which were taken up and acted on were a new postoffice for Sikeston, the new sewer system which is to be voted on in March, the Drummers' Association which is to be held in May and the dinner and installation of officers to be held February 25, at which time an expert cotton man is to be the principal speaker.

With reference to the dinner which is to be given to the new and the old members and their wives, it was decided to put that Faithful Old Whirlwind, L. C. Erdmann, in charge of the arrangements and to give him as assistants: Fred Schorle and Charles Hebbeler. One of the features of the program will be a report of the results of a drive for new members, which is to be put on at once and which is to end February 25.

In this drive two teams will start on a trip to the Panama Canal, one in a Ford motor car and the other on an elephant. Each dollar secured will be credited to the team securing it as one mile on the journey. If you will watch the bulletin boards at Dudley's and in The Bijou you can see how the contest is stacking up from day to day.

Space will not permit a further elaboration of the meeting. You are requested to be present at the Installation of Officers on the evening of February 25, at which time many important activities for the new year will be outlined.

The Accomplishments of the Cham-

ber of Commerce for the Year Ending February 29, 1924—And What Is Now Ahead of It.

By J. A. Young, President.
First—After the newly elected officers began functioning the Chamber of Commerce sent a committee composed of James S. Kevil and C. F. McMullin to St. Louis for the purpose of interviewing President Kurn on the needs of a new Frisco depot for Sikeston. That the committee was successful in its efforts, is evidenced by the fact, that plans for the new depot are now ready for the inspectors and the building will be erected this summer.

Second—With the co-operation of the entire membership the Chamber of Commerce landed a shoe factory with a capacity of 800 employees. This factory is now in operation with a force of nearly 300 employees, which force is being added to as rapidly as the workers can be trained. This accomplishment alone is worth more to Sikeston than the Chamber of Commerce would cost the members for fifty years to come.

As a direct result of this feat there has been seventy-two buildings erected during the past year at a cost of \$374,200, which was distributed among the working people of Sikeston as far as labor is concerned and among the business men of Sikeston as far as materials, clothing, and eats are concerned.

Third—While on the shoe factory drive we landed an ice cream factory, which would be a credit to any city as there is not one in the state that is more modern and up-to-date than the one we have in our midst.

Fourth—Because of the great influx of colored folks due to the great amount of cotton that was being planted in the vicinity, the Chamber of Commerce started a move which resulted in the Sunset addition being laid out for colored people and at a later meeting with about twenty members present the negro problem in Sikeston was solved and the negroes themselves as well as the white property owners who might be inclined to sell or rent property to negroes, now know where the colored settlement is located. This action of the Chamber of Commerce probably averted serious race troubles in the future.

Fifth—The Chamber of Commerce pulled off the biggest one-day celebration on the Fourth of July, 1923 that was ever heard of in Southeast Missouri. It was the first real Fourth of July celebration that had been held in Sikeston in twenty years. We had 10,000 people out to see a set of fireworks that was a credit to any city. Everybody is looking forward to the next annual Whiz Bang.

Sixth—By its prompt and energetic action in securing the signatures of the merchants of Sikeston to an agreement not to have anything to do with an organization calling itself the United Farmers of America, the Chamber of Commerce saved the merchants from being hood-winked to the extent of several thousand dol-

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32x4 Cord	20.81	-	Tube	2.43
33x4 Cord	21.48	-	Tube	2.52
34x4 Cord	22.05	-	Tube	2.67
32x4 1-2 Cord	31.12	-	Tube	3.30



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Sikeston Missouri

lars, such as was done in several cities in neighboring states.

Seventh—The Chamber of Commerce organized the Merchants League which has since developed a Retail Merchants' Credit Association, which will cover Southeast Missouri and will save the business men thousands of dollars from dead-beats and others who are inclined to fail to pay their bills.

What Is Yet To Be Done

First—A most important problem now before the Chamber of Commerce is that of putting over the bond issue for the new sewerage system. The bonds must be voted if our city is to progress as it should. Quite a little opposition, principally upon the part of the ignorant or the prejudiced, is developing and it will require the assistance of not only every member of the Chamber of Commerce, but of the entire citizenship of our city as well, if we make a go of it. Right here is where we will have to ask the ladies of our town for assistance, for too much depends on a good sewer system for us to fail in this matter.

Second—We have a communication on file from a man who says he will be here in a few weeks to talk over the advisability of locating a Cotton Seed Oil Mill. The Chamber of Commerce must bend every energy toward putting that over, too.

Third—A man who now has a packing house in Louisville and Paducah, Ky. and in Memphis, Tenn., will meet with us the fourth Monday in February for the purpose of discussing the advisability of locating a packing house at Sikeston. If we are on our toes and extend to him the proper encouragement he will no doubt put in a large plant here as this will be an ideal location for such a plant for many different reasons.

Fourth—We must not pass up the idea of a Mammoth Cotton Compress, which we are assured we will have this year. The thing to do is to get the biggest and the best, for that is what Sikeston deserves.

Fifth—We are to have the Drummers' Association with us in May. Let's make royal preparations for them so that they will say that this meeting was the best they ever had, for they are a big hearted bunch of men and when they feel kindly toward a town, they are the best walking advertisement that it can have.

Sixth—The time is now ripe for the Chamber of Commerce to put over a hospital for Sikeston, and if we go after it now, we can purchase an ideal building and plot of ground at a decided bargain.

Seventh—The Chamber of Commerce must begin planning soon for

its next Whiz Bang. If we announce early that we will hold an even bigger celebration than we pulled off last year, we will probably scare off some of the other towns who are in the habit of who may contemplate holding Fourth of July celebrations this year.

Eighth—The Chamber of Commerce should also (a) change meetings of members from bi-monthly to monthly or every other month and have Executive Board composed of officers and Finance Committee meet at least bi-monthly. (b) Raise dues for Associate Members from \$5 to \$6.25 per year and admit to such membership all citizens who have the welfare of the community at heart, but who do not care to take out active memberships. Clerks, teachers, ministers, etc., would come under this classification. (c) Add membership Committee to the standing committees to be appointed by the President with a member of the Finance Committee as Chairman. (d) Admit women to membership and throw open meetings to them. (e) Solicit as active members all businesses, hotels, boarding houses, rooming houses, owners of office buildings, professional men, corporations and all others who derive financial gain from the growth and betterment of the community. (f) Start a drive for new members to end February 25, at which a dinner will be given to the old and the new members and their wives and sweethearts. Drive to be conducted by two teams of three members who will enter into a contest conditions of which to determine. (g) Order the Commerce Committee to lay plans at once for the compiling and publishing of a book-

let setting out the advantages of Sikeston as a business and residence center, same to be published quarterly under the editorship of the Secretary.

The accomplishments enumerated above were managed at a cost of \$12.60 per member. As we have approximately 120 paying members our income was around \$1500. Out of this we have paid the secretary, rent, telephone and lights to say nothing about stationery, telegrams, chairs, a walk to the shoe factory, other expenses incident to the shoe factory drive and the interest and part of the principal of the Pig Club notes. Of course the income from the dues did not nearly cover the necessary expenses but part of the shortage was made up by the profits on the Whiz Bang and the picture show that we successfully pulled off and from the receipts of the sale of the remainder of pigs belonging to the Pig Club members.

Now, folks, this is the last meeting in our fiscal year and our by-laws call for an election of officers for the new year. Right here, I want to thank those of the officers and committees for their help during the past year for if we had not had that help, we could not have done what we did.

In selecting your new officers, I want to suggest that the main thought to keep in mind is to select the individual for each office that is especially fitted to perform the duties of the office to which he is elected, who is not afraid of work and who is interested enough in the advancement of Sikeston to at least attend all of the meetings of the Chamber of Commerce. I am sorry to say that some who were elected last year, have not attended a single meeting unless it was during the Shoe Factory Drive. As a further suggestion, I believe it would be wise for you to select new blood as nearly as possible for I believe that would have its effect in getting more people out to the meetings and in creating a new interest in the Chamber of Commerce.

J. W. Adams spent Wednesday in New Madrid on business.

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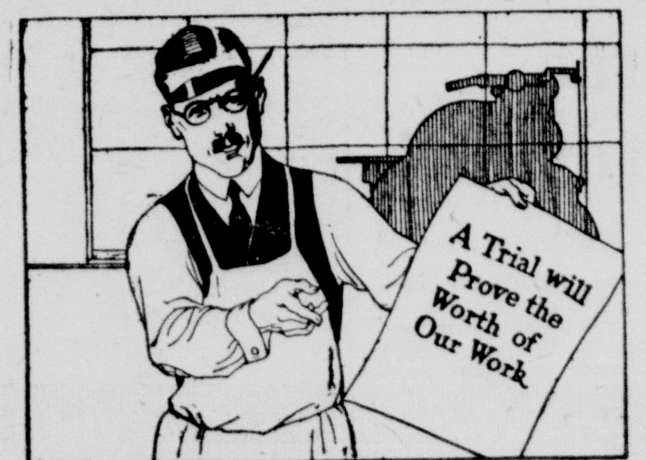
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NORMA TALMADGE
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"The Voice of the Minaret"

Robert Hichens' great novel of tempestuous love in desert places. Out on the desert fringe no man is husband, no woman wife. They hearken to "The Voice of the Minaret."

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Norma Talmadge
in "The Voice of the Minaret"

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23:

TOM MIX

"The Eyes of Faust"

Also THUNDERBOLT JACK No. 12.
Matinee at 3:00 o'clock, 10 and 20 Cents.
Night 10 and 25 Cents.

COMING:
GLORIA SWANSON in "THE HUMMING BIRD."

Alfred Swacken returned Tuesday morning from St. Louis.

Sterling E. Jones of Sikeston was a Cairo visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Wood of Memphis, Tenn., is the guest of heir son, John F. Wood.

FOR RENT—1 furnished room, modern. For information call Mrs. Henry Ferrell, Phone 267.

The little folks expect to give you your moneys worth with their operetta next Wednesday eve.

To clean greasy vessels, add half a teaspoonful of paraffin oil to the water and much time will be saved.

FOR SALE—Four-room house and barn. J. B. Randol will show property.—R. W. Modglin. 2tpd.

FOR SALE—Burroughs small size adding machine, almost new. A real bargain. Call at 424 E. Center St. 1tp

Lady Astor has given \$50,000 to the housing trust to alleviate the housing problem in Plymouth, Eng.

County Agent Hearne, of Cape Girardeau County, paid The Standard office an appreciated visit Wednesday.

T. P. League, father of Mrs. Henry Welsh, who has been ill for sometime, is not much improved at this writing.

Teapots should be rinsed out daily with boiling water and well dried inside and out. The lid should always be left open.

Miss Carrie Shrieffer, of St. Louis, arrived in Sikeston Wednesday. Miss Shrieffer will be located with Miss Daisy Garden.

Miss Hazel Huhn, of Cape Girardeau was among the out-of-town visitors who attended the Leap Year Dance at the Mecca Hall, Wednesday night.

The four youth in the "Shiek" case were bound over to Circuit Court at a preliminary hearing to day at Cape Girardeau on "shiek" charges preferred by three Cape Girardeau girls. Bonds for the defendants were fixed by Justice Gust Shultz as follows: Geo. Marable and Clarence Johnson of Charleston, both \$3000, and Dan Sutton and Lib Halley, of Jackson, \$10000, each.

The girls who testified as to the night's events were: Ruth and Helen Cope and Gladys Mills. Rut Cope testified that the alleged attack took place near Kelso, which added an extra tangle for the prosecution and on which authorities say may result in the filing of additional charges by the officers of Scott County.

Trustee's Sale

WHEREAS, Mae Gross Dillingham and Orville Dillingham, her husband, by their certain deed of trust dated the 1st day of January, 1922 and recorded in the Recorder's office of Scott County, at Deed Book 36 pages 585-586, conveyed to the undersigned H. D. Rodgers all their right, title, interest and estate, in and to the following described Real Estate, situated in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, viz:

Forty-five (45) feet off the west side of lot numbered nine (9) in lots one (1), two (2) and three (3) in Dan McCoy's subdivision to Trotter's addition to the City of Sikeston, Scott County, Mo.

Which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of a certain promissory note in said deed described, and whereas the said note has become due and unpaid, and whereas interest on said debt is past due and unpaid, now therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said Deed of Trust, and at the request of the legal holder of said note, I will proceed to sell the above described Real Estate at the Court House door in the City of Benton, in the County of Scott, State aforesaid, to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction, on

Saturday, the 8th day of March, 1924 between the hours of nine in the forenoon and five in the afternoon of that day to satisfy said note and interest together with the cost and expense of executing this trust.

H. D. RODGERS,
Trustee.

Dated this 14th day of February, 1924.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

The Sunday school class taught by Mrs. W. M. Critchlow went on a picnic Sunday near Cape Girardeau. The young folks had lunch about 2:30 on this side of the Cape, after which they motored on into Cape. They returned about 7:30, declaring a most delightful day spent.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Weatherford and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gossitt and sons, and Mrs. Glenn Ashworth were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lancaster, Sunday.

Mrs. F. E. Story gave a surprise birthday party for her husband Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stewart, one mile north of Matthews. The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Sibley, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. King, Mr. and Mrs. Loy Roberts and Mr. and C. C. Buchanan of Fairview. The evening was most delightfully spent in playing cards and dancing. Refreshments were served at a very late hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Daugherty and Miss Lillie spent Sunday in Lilbourn visiting relatives.

Mrs. Florence Woodard went to New Madrid Sunday, on business.

The Misses Andres of Sikeston were in Matthews Sunday.

Mrs. Tom Brooks is very ill at this writing.

Little Misses Louise and Camille Mitchell of Canalou spent Saturday with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Weeks.

G. F. and W. H. Deane motored to New Madrid Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Emory and children and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Weeks motored to Canalou Sunday evening.

Mrs. John G. Smith and children of Canalou and Leonard Baughn of Cape Girardeau were guests of their sister, Mrs. R. H. Weeks and husband.

Miss Nota Hall of St. Louis was in Matthews Tuesday.

Fred P. Howden spent Tuesday in New Madrid on business.

Mrs. Ellis Saunders, of St. Louis, is the guest of Mrs. R. C. Finley.

WANTED—A girl for housework. Apply at The Standard office.

Buy a couple of tickets and help the grade school pay for their piano.

Robert Lillard, of Columbus, Ky., is the guest of Mrs. Anna Winchester.

Mr. Hill, of the Hardwick Merc. Co. is back from a business trip to St. Louis.

Sheriff Kirkendall of Benton was a business visitor in our city, Wednesday.

Born to Mr and Mrs Cecil Reed of Benton, Tuesday, February 12, a daughter.

County Agent A. J. Renner of Benton was in Sikeston Wednesday, on business.

FOR SALE—Lot 20, blk. 12, Chamber of Commerce addition.—Hahs Machine Works.

FOR RENT—3 furnished rooms for light housekeeping.—Hoosier Land & Investment Co.

C. C. White has started his spring cleaning by having his store painted on the inside.

FOR SALE—1 1/2 acres, good 6-room house, some out buildings, plenty of fruit on place, on Northwest Street, near the Fair Grounds. See Elmer Caldwell, Sikeston, Mo. Box 546 3tp.

WANTED—A position as foreman or laborer, on farm. Have had fourteen years experience in cotton production. One year in this district. Reference given.—Geo. W. Anderson, Sikeston, Mo. tf.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce G. F. Deane, of Matthews, as a candidate for Sheriff of New Madrid County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

Mrs. D. B. Smith and Mrs. Otto Koeltitzky of Cape Girardeau attended the all day meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. Maude Stubbs. Mrs. Smith is President of the Ninth District of Women's Federated Clubs.

The regular meeting of the Young People's Missionary Society was held at the home of Miss Evelyn Sutton, Monday evening, with Miss Mabel Barnett as leader. The evening was very much enjoyed, going over business affairs, after which a delightful luncheon was served. The next meeting will be at the home of Miss Lola Shankle, in March.

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Murray Mathis of St. Louis is a business visitor in Sikeston.

Mrs. S. B. Hardwick spent Thursday at Bertrand with relatives.

H. F. Kirkpatrick of Benton was in Sikeston Thursday morning. While here he paid The Standard office a visit.

Miss Veda Newman returned Tuesday afternoon from Murphysboro, Ill., where she had been visiting relatives.



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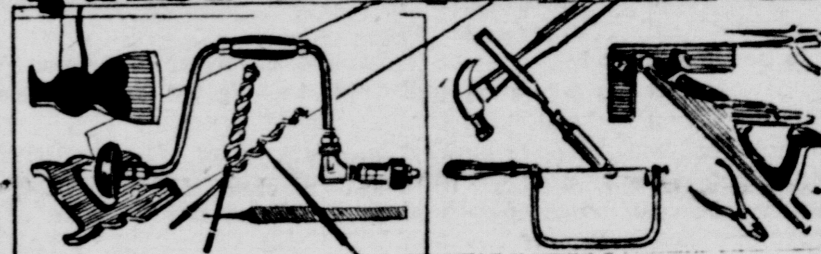
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SOUTHEAST MISSOURI
AGRICULTURAL EMPIRE

By Roy Godsey

(Continued from last issue)

A ready-made network of railroads was indeed a fortunate circumstance for the lowlands. A ready-made system of hard-surfaced wagon roads would have been equally fortunate. But this was not provided. Nature neglected even to lay a stone or pebble in several of the counties. It is true that in the old settled portions the quality of the soil permitted very fair graded earth roads, but in the drainage districts road conditions during the first ten or fifteen years of the pioneering were about as bad as possible—in fact, to bad to be tolerated by Southeast Missourians.

The vision and enterprise which made possible the completion of the greatest drainage and reclamation project in America has led during the past six years to the construction of the most complete system of hard roads in the State of Missouri.

Directly after the passage of the Hawes Road Law in 1917, which extended state and federal aid to counties and road districts, Southeast Missouri counties quickly took necessary measures to match dollars with state and federal funds. Mississippi County was the first county in Missouri to vote road bonds under the Hawes Road Law. The other Southeast Missouri Counties followed promptly.

Between four and five million dollars of local road funds were raised within the entire district. This amount has been matched by state and federal aid, making a total of approximately ten million dollars expended upon the hard roads in advance of the sixty million dollars state road program.

At the present writing Dunklin County is the first county in Missouri which has completed the surfacing of its entire State road mileage.

The federal primary road extending from Birds Point on the Mississippi River, opposite Cairo, Ill., to Poplar Bluff, a distance of about 80 miles across the lowlands, is completed. This road is perhaps the most important in the district. Its completion makes it possible for the

first time in the history of this section to drive by wagon or auto from the hills at Poplar Bluff directly across the lowlands to the Mississippi River. This road is an important through traffic artery to the Southwest as well as a means of transportation and communication not hitherto enjoyed within the district.

Southeast Missouri's great need has always been, and continues to be, for men and money to develop her fertile lands. The need for more man power is being supplied in a most remarkable and unexpected manner. Cotton farmers from the south are pouring into the district by thousands.

The need for money to carry forward development in a new country is never quite satisfied so long as the country is new. But ordinarily the need for man power in a new country may be less easily supplied than the need for investment capital. An unusual condition therefore exists in Southeast Missouri at the present time—a new country, so to speak, has abundant man power and cheap labor. It is a condition that offers opportunities for investment, undoubtedly more favorable than have existed at any previous time since the beginning of the district's development.

In Southeast Missouri, the north and the south overlap. No other farming section grows all the crops of both the north and the south as they are grown in this section. Corn, wheat, clover, alfalfa and cotton grow side by side with records of production in both quantity and quality.

Southeast Missouri is in the corn belt. It is in the wheat belt. It is in the cotton belt.

The effect of climate on the distribution of crops and different kinds or classes of each crop is very important. In Southeast Missouri the winters are mild—once in a while a light snow falls that leaves almost as soon as falling—the heat of summer not extreme—the growing season so long that corn planted as a catch crop after wheat or oats always matures enough to make excellent silage and generally enough to be cribbed. Corn yields in many sections equal those in any other part of the corn belt, both in quantity and quality—the long season allowing the large varieties to mature. Cowpeas are regularly planted as a second crop following the harvest of wheat or oats.

Winter wheat yields are as high as in any part of the Mississippi Valley. Alfalfa does as well as in any other place in the United States. Clover yields cannot be excelled and two cuttings after wheat are not unusual.

The success of the cotton crop in Southeast Missouri has created unusual interest. Land owners and tenants who have never grown cotton heretofore are now planting cotton.

During picking season the hum of hundreds of gins can now be heard where only a few years ago was heard the clink of the axe and the hum of the saw.

Practically all of Missouri's cotton is produced in the eight Southwestern, the above

east Missouri counties. Southeast Missouri is not only producing a greater yield to the acre than any other cotton area or state, but two and one-half times as much per acre as the average of the counties as a whole.

The average annual production per acre for the cotton states is 124.5 pounds, which shows Missouri in the lead with an increase of 165 per cent over the entire Cotton Belt in yield per acre. In many instances in Southeast Missouri the yield is from a bale to a bale and a half per acre.

While cotton is relatively a new crop in the northern half of the Southeast Missouri district, it has been generally grown throughout the southern half of the district since the first settlements were made. In 1893, Dunklin County was recorded as the banner cotton county of the United States.

In 1922, Southeast Missouri produced approximately a \$17,000,000 crop of cotton, and in 1923 approximately \$24,000,000 worth of cotton.

The cotton acreage for 1923 is estimated as follows: Butler County, 28,500 acres; Cape Girardeau, 2,500; Dunklin, 87,100; Mississippi, 31,500; New Madrid, 75,500; Pemiscot, 82,500; Scott, 33,500; Stoddard, 25,000.

A cotton co-operative marketing association was organized in Southeast Missouri for the first time in 1923.

The cotton farmers have taken a few pages from the books of capital and union labor. A few years ago the farmers of Oklahoma formed a cotton marketing association. It is a co-operative non-profit corporation. The movement has spread very rapidly, and now practically every cotton state has an association. They have joint offices in the cotton-consuming centers all over the world, and co-operate with each other instead of competing. They hold their members' cotton in bonded warehouses by borrowing money on it in large amounts, at low rates, pool the various classes and sell it by grades, direct to the mills, instead of dumping it on the market at picking time.

The government has not only legalized these co-operative selling agencies, but has provided the machinery for financing them. The courts have approved their contracts. In 1922 those who marketed their cotton thru the association received from \$20 to \$25 per bale more than those who sold in the seed at picking time.

Corn and wheat have long since reached their true pre-eminence. In Southeast Missouri. These grain crops have been among the most important field crops produced both in acreage and value since the swamp lands were cleared of timber and drained.

In many instances, yields of corn have ranged from 75 to 100 bushels to the acre and wheat yields from 35 to 40 bushels to the acre. The highest yields are made on the black or bottom soils, and the heavier types of sandy soil. Of course, the average yields per acre in all Southeast Missouri, including the partially improved and incompletely drained land and all types of soil, run much lower than these figures.

During the war there was a tendency to increase the wheat production in Southeast Missouri, but recently there has been a decrease in wheat acreage. Much of the wheat land is being used for cotton. Corn is holding its own throughout most of the counties in this section.

The average growing season for corn in Southeast Missouri is 180 days and many seasons are on record of 210 days. The average in the extreme north of the United States is 120 days and in the Gulf States 240 days. Corn is grown here very much as corn is grown elsewhere. The season for planting is from April 1 to July 4. Quite frequently the farmer who has time and needs to do so, will break wheat stubble directly after harvest and plant it to corn. A yield of 50 bushels per acre grown in this fashion is on record. Corn yields are uniformly good if a semblance of rotation is practiced.

In Mississippi county was pointed out to the writer a field that was planted to corn forty years in succession. Then it was surprised with an oats crop sown with clover, which was turned under the following spring and planted back to corn. The corn was all sold in the fall, and the yield accurately and reliably figured at 96 bushels per acre.

Wheat grown in the Southeast Missouri lowlands is said by the milling trade to be of the best quality of winter wheat obtainable. A yield of less than 30 bushels per acre upon well improved and well tended land is the result of an intolerable season. Wheat grows very rank and tall, but fortunately it is stiff stemmed. A man must be almost a six-footer to stand flat-footed in many of the fields and see anything but the wheat about his nose and the sky above.

Harvest begins about June 10. Threshing follows quickly. Ordinarily the crop is sold a month in advance of threshing in other winter wheat sections. The premium that is commonly received by reason of this opportunity to sell on the old crop market is one of the factors that causes Southeast Missouri farmers to devote a very large acreage yearly to wheat.

There are only a limited number of silos in the entire section. The answer is mainly—winter wheat pasture. Winter pasturing of the usual rank fall growth, with a degree of judgment, takes nothing from the yield of grain.

Southeast Missouri lends itself admirably to the production of calves and also furnishes the best of feeding conditions for producing mature beef cattle.

The foundation for success in growing cattle is a favorable climate, plenty of good water, plenty of good grass and plenty of winter feed.

On the lowlands farmers sink sand points in a few minutes time to the depth of around twentyfeet and obtain a well with an inexhaustible supply of water.

Usually pasture is available twelve months out of the year. In fact, it is an exceptional winter when cattle cannot be grazed throughout the entire year. Along with alfalfa, many farmers utilize rye and wheat as a winter pasture. In the spring clover is used.

The short milk winter makes extensive barns and sheds for the protection of cattle necessary, and greatly reduces the feed bill which the northern beef producer cannot avoid. Frequently a herd of cows may be wintered around a straw pile which they generally consume before the winter is over. If the ground does not get too soft for them to pasture on it, calves and young cattle will run all winter on wheat or rye pasture and make good gains.

Second, as a corollary of a short winter is the long grazing season. Stock are turned out on pasture the first of April and allowed to run on the math of meadows and stalk fields until the middle of December or first of January.

Third, there is grown everything that is necessary for successful production of beef. Winter pastures are wheat and rye, and for summer the clovers, white, alsike and red timothy, red top, blue grass, sudan grass, orchard grass and lespedeza, which is a native here. Corn makes from 35 to 75 bushels to the acre, depending on the season, and a crop of corn for the silo can be grown after a clover crop is harvested or after wheat. For hay, there is clover, alfalfa and cowpeas. The later is grown after a crop of wheat or oats, and is harvested in time to sow the land in wheat again. Cotton is grown extensively and cotton seed meal is produced in the territory within trucking distance.

Fourth, there is an exhaustive and easily available supply of pure water. An inch of twenty feet, it can be put down in an hour's time at a cost of not over fifteen dollars, with a furnish water for five hundred head of cattle. A few years ago, when a terrible drought prevailed over the country and the farmers in some of the western states were having water shipped in tank cars for their stock, a stockman from Southeast Missouri relates the following:

"I had occasion to move some stock from one pasture to another, and when we do this we usually take the well along. The pipe had been pulled and was ready to be put down in the new location. I proposed to the men who were doing the work for me that we see how quickly we could make a well. I held the watch on them, and in just eighteen minutes from the time they commenced driving, they were pumping an inexhaustible stream of water for the stock.

Fifth, and last, Southeast Missouri is only one hundred and eighty miles from the National Stock Yards at St. Louis, which is becoming one of the leading livestock markets of the country.

Taking everything into consideration, Southeast Missouri can produce beef cheaper than any other part of the country, and the same holds true of pork.

In 1922, the eight Southeast Missouri counties had on farms approximately 75000 head of beef type cattle of all ages, valued at \$1,556,000. Cape Girardeau County stood first with approximately 15,000 head and Butler County second with 14,000.

There has been a falling off in the number of beef cattle bred in this section, but the value has increased. In 1913, according to the county assessor's returns, the eight Southeast Missouri counties had a total of 78,557 head valued at \$789,955.

The opportunity to develop dairying as an industry in Southeast Missouri has not been overlooked. Cape Girardeau and Stoddard Counties are in the lead with the greatest number of dairy cattle on farms and fluid milk production.

The growth of the urban population and improved methods of handling milk have steadily widened the field of distribution. The Southeast Missouri farmer is afforded the opportunity to deliver milk to St. Louis over any one of three trunk lines which cross the Southeast Missouri section from north to north. With St. Louis using approximately 250,000 gallons of milk daily and the demand steadily increasing, the farmer in Southeast Missouri has found the cow a profitable investment. Fluid milk production in the north part of this southeast section has more than quadrupled in the last five years.

A number of years ago the farmers of Cape Girardeau county imported purebred Guernseys as foundation herds. In Scott, Stoddard and Butler counties more purebreds were brought in, but in most cases from dairy regions in the north and east part of the United States.

Many farmers in ordinary circumstances have improved their herds and increased the milk production by keeping grade cows and buying purebred bulls. Many of the young bulls from imported cows bought by Cape Girardeau county farmers have been sold to farmers on the club plan and as a result there is a tendency to increase the grade of cattle now being kept to supply the demand for milk.

In the hills along the north and west border of Southeast Missouri cheap land is being made to pay a price with dairy cattle.

Favoring dairy development is the cheap land, mild climate, pure water, plentiful pasturage and ideal market for the milk or dairy products.

The hill sections are along the west border of Southeast Missouri is favorable to sheep raising.

The commercial development of hog raising in Southeast Missouri has made rapid strides.

Through pig clubs organized by county agents, in many instances, to interest the boys and girls, better breeding stock has been established as foundation herds. Through the banks, the clubs have been financed where finances were needed.

The possibility of producing pork at a low cost has been an important factor in the Southeast Missouri section. With the variety of crops

grown on Southeast Missouri farms, hogs may be pastured and kept in good growing condition almost the entire year, requiring only a minimum of mill feed or corn to finish for market.

It is a common practice among many farmers to fatten hogs in a corn field where cowpeas or soybeans have been planted with the corn. After the corn has been shocked, hogs are turned into the field and they not only clean up the left-over corn but will fatten on the peas or beans.

The co-operative marketing of hogs, in fact all classes of livestock suitable for market, is increasing rapidly in Southeast Missouri. The co-operative marketing is firmly rooted through the organization of it is estimated that 75 per cent of the business of the co-operative shipping association in Southeast Missouri consists in marketing hogs.

The co-operative plan in Southeast Missouri is similar to some 6000 co-operative shipping associations handling livestock in the United States. The advantages of the co-operative shipping have been pointed out too often to require restatement.

Alfalfa in Southeast Missouri is not only a crop of high feeding value but yields a profit in seed. It also furnishes splendid pasture during the winter season, and being a deep rooted plant by nature, fills the soil with fleshy roots, rich in organic matter and nitrogen. This causes a rank growth to succeeding field crops.

In Pemiscot County alfalfa was produced that was awarded first premium at the Chicago Columbian Exposition, 1893 the St. Louis World's Fair and the Fair at San Francisco. In Southeast Missouri the farmers look upon alfalfa as the choice of hay crops.

By no means all of Southeast Missouri is alfalfa land. There are many types of the alluvial soil excellent for general farming which will not grow it without the same special preparation required on northern corn belt lands. There are hundreds of thousands of acres of Southeast Missouri upon which alfalfa grows with a thrift and vigor that is beheld in only a few localities in the United States. Throughout these areas you may see hundreds of faultless alfalfa meadows. It has been uniformly the most profitable crop grown. In a year of depressed farm values it has netted \$50 per acre above all expenses of growing, harvesting and marketing the hay.

Practice in sowing and harvesting the hay vary according to locality, for the alfalfa area in Southeast Missouri extends 15 miles from north to south, and the great meadows in Pemiscot County are ready to cut 10 days earlier in spring than those in Mississippi County and the northern part of the Delta section.

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Notice of Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the first annual stockholders' meeting of the SKESTON TRUST COMPANY will be held at its banking house in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, on the 20th day of February, 1924.

Said meeting to be convened at 9 o'clock A. M. and continued during at least three hours, unless the object for which such meeting is called, be accomplished sooner.

The purpose for which this meeting is called is to elect two directors for the said TRUST COMPANY, to serve during the ensuing three years, and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

G. B. GREER, President.
Attest:
L. M. STALLCUP, Secretary.
Issue 8th and 15th.

Notice of Administration

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That Letters Testamentary on the estate of Sarah E. Shelby, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 4th day of February, 1924, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

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The voting places in each of the four wards of said City of Sikeston, Missouri, on said date, will be at the following places:

FIRST WARD at the City Hall.
SECOND WARD at the Overland Garage.
THIRD WARD at the Guest Garage.

FOURTH WARD at the office of Russell Bros.

The polls will be open for receiving votes in said special election on the date hereinbefore mentioned at all the voting places prescribed herein from six o'clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the afternoon.

Done by the order of the Board of Aldermen by an ordinance duly passed and approved on the 4th day of February, 1924.

AUDREY CHANEY, City Clerk.

A truck, lost by Mr. Reynolds, was recovered at Sikeston last night. R. M. Sisk and brother rendered valuable service securing desired results. —Charleston Index.

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LETTER FROM THE AGRICULTURAL BUREAU

Board Meeting at Gideon

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau was held at Gideon Wednesday of last week. The following members were present: President Montgomery, Fred Naeter, W. H. Heisserer, E. C. Matthews, Thad Snow, Solon E. Wright, L. J. Dunn and Secretary Foard.

A resolution was adopted asking Governor Hyde and President Brooks, of Missouri State University, to release at least \$5000 of the State Agricultural Extension money, which has been held up by the Governor, for the purpose of establishing outlying cotton experiment fields in Southeast Missouri.

A. J. Meyer, director of Agricultural Extension Service in Missouri, was present and stated that he and his forces were constantly being called upon by Southeast Missouri farmers for information about growing cotton. The best varieties to grow on different soils, use of fertilizers, etc., soon to be a real problem just now. The need for experiment fields

along this line in Southeast Missouri is obvious.

The Extension Service has a cotton specialist and man force sufficient to carry on this work, but no funds available to work with. The establishment of such fields would be worth thousands and possibly millions of dollars to Southeast Missouri if they could be put into operation immediately.

Should the funds be released an experiment field would be placed on every distinctive soil type in each county and would provide valuable and accurate information for the future.

The Board also endorsed the movement of re-establishing the incline on the Missouri Pacific and Cotton Belt railroads at Bird's Point and agreed to co-operate with the business interests of Cairo, Ill., in bringing this about.

A New Madrid County banquet, served by the ladies of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Church of Gideon, was served the Board members, a large number of the citizens of Gideon and many visitors from Kennett, Clarkton, Malden and Campbell, Wednesday evening. All the food served, and it was bountiful indeed, was produced in New Madrid County. W. R. Anderson was

toast master. A number of good speeches were made. The teachers and pupils of the public schools had an active part in the program, which consisted of instrumental music and songs by the girls' glee club. One of the outstanding events on the program was the rendering of a song by the glee club, entitled, "100 Years in 10". The title was taken from the Southeast Missouri moving picture and the verse and music was composed by Miss Pearl Connely, one of the teachers.

After the program, the audience went to the theatre and viewed the Southeast Missouri moving picture.

New Members From Cairo

Additional members of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau from Cairo, Ill., since the last report are: Bucher Packing Co., P. T. Lang, a Lumber Co., Denison-Gohlson Dry Goods Co., Cairo Real Estate Corporation, Kaufman Bros. Dry Goods Co., Schuh Produce Co., Wood and Bennett Grocery Co., Weber Dry Goods Co., Cairo National Bank, and Halliday Hotel.

Southeast Missouri Bulletin Out

The new bulletin published by the Missouri State Board of Agriculture, entitled, "Southeast Missouri an Agricultural Empire", is just off the press. Copies can be had by writing Jewel Mayes, Secretary State Board of Agriculture, Jefferson City, Mo.

Resolutions

Adopted at meeting of Board Directors of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau held at Gideon, February 6, 1924.

WHEREAS, The development of the cotton growing industry in Southeast Missouri has created an emergency demanding immediate and complete information on all phases of cotton growing, and,

WHEREAS, Southeast Missouri presents a wide variation in soils, each type requiring special study in relation to adaption of cotton varieties and cultural practices, and

WHEREAS, A portion of the appropriation made by the last Missouri General Assembly to the Agricultural Experiment Station for the support of outlying crop experiment fields is temporarily held in reserve and unexpended,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That we, the duly authorized representatives of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau, respectfully urge that his Excellency, Governor Arthur M. Hyde, and Dr. Stratton D. Brooks, President of the University of Missouri, co-operate to the end that no less than \$5000 of said reserve be made available for the immediate establishment by the Agricultural Experiment Station of a complete system of cotton experiment fields in Southeast Missouri.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed to present this resolution in person to the Governor of the State and the President of the University within the next few days.

MODERN MACHINERY AID TO MAINTENANCE

The best road in the long run is the hard road. But there are many localities where the use of the hard road does not permit its cost to be an economy for the community. Hence the sand-clay, gravel, shell, and other types of roads, not hard surface, which are built.

Such roads require constant maintenance if they are to remain smooth. Formerly such work was done by teams. But modern ingenuity has provided road tools which can be applied to trucks, with a great economy of time, labor, and money.

As an example, consider Kent County Mich., where, according to the annual report of the County Road Commissioners, there are 252 miles of gravel roads, varying in width from 10 to 16 feet, the total width of the grade varying from 20 to 30 feet.

Nearly all the scraping and grading work is taken care of by scrapers attached to trucks, which with the scraper attachment, travel about 10 or 12 miles per hour. Each truck does the work of six or seven teams.

Nine trucks equipped with scrapers maintain an average of nearly 30 miles each. The quality of the work of this kind of equipment is said to be much better than with horse-drawn equipment, and it takes less supervision to look after this kind of maintenance organization.

The gravel roads are kept smooth by the constant use of scrapers or graders, and by the application of thin layers of screened gravel where required. One-half inch to one inch of screened gravel is kept on the surface of the road all the time; by scraping around to fill ruts and holes, it is possible to maintain a smooth road under a traffic of several thousand vehicles a day.

The Standard \$1.50 per year.

MISSOURI WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Kansas City—Plans approved for construction of huge memorial hospital for former service men.

Stratford—Campaign launched thruout district to increase strawberry acreage for coming year.

St. Louis—Concordia Seminary breaks ground for construction of \$2,500,000 group of buildings.

Pratt—First Church of Christ, costing \$45,000, now under construction.

Springfield—Contract awarded for erection of large grandstand at Western Association park.

Kansas City—William Rockwell Nelson school costing \$70,000 to be erected.

Hollister—Cotton valued at \$60,000 shipped from district last season.

Kansas City—13-story apartment hotel to be erected on Wyandotte street.

Moberly—Construction of 7-mile of hard-surfaced road to Huntsville practically assured.

St. Genevieve—Has best quality white lime to be found in country. Industry assuming over-increasing proportions. New machinery and equipment being added to plants.

Monett—Local overall factory turning out 1250 pairs overalls daily.

Boone county ships first carload of tobacco in forty years giving promise of revival of industry.

Columbia—Contract left for construction of first unit of University of Missouri memorial tower, costing \$105,000.

Joplin—Chamber of Commerce opens department for development of agricultural industry in this district.

Marshall—New Virginia Hotel completed.

Slater—New school building nearing completion.

2250 miles of state road completed during 1923.

Mt. Vernon—Carnation Company's new \$250,000 plant nearing completion.

Weston—268,025 pounds of tobacco sold here during past week.

Washington—Direct telephone service now established between here and St. Louis.

111 new rural school buildings completed in Missouri during 1923.

St. Joseph—Contracts to be left for resurfacing Funkhauser road.

Willow Spring—Nebraska concern to open \$300,000 creamery here.

Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad to spend approximately \$5,500,000 on improvements in 1924.

Webb City—Construction of hard-surfaced streets to connect east and west highways planned for this city.

Joplin—Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to spend \$31,000 repaving and improving long distance line between here and Gray's Summit.

St. James—Contract to let to Sowell Well Company for construction of water and sewer systems.

Charleston—Plans being made for establishment of plant for Caradino Harvest Hat Company.

Homer Lynn of Charleston was a Sikeston visitor Tuesday.

If chewing gum is stuck to a skirt, coat or any wearing apparel it should not be scraped off. Hold a piece of ice tightly over the gum a few minutes. The gum will harden and crumble and then may easily be brushed off without injuring the garment.

A gentleman whose appendix sometimes troubles him and who is in the habit of applying a mustard plaster to his back upon these occasions, went on a trip with his wife. They had berths in a Pullman, and of course took with them the trusty plaster. During the night the husband suffered one of his attacks. He managed to wake his wife in a nearby berth, and she got up to prepare the plaster. The car was quite dark when she emerged from the wash-room, but making her way to what she took for her husband's berth, she opened the curtains, described dimly a man lying there on his face, and with a few deft movements had the plaster on his back. She then crept back to her own berth, but in a little while heard her husband call her again. She went to him. "Where is the mustard plaster?" he asked. A horrible suspicion shot through her. "Gracious! Didn't I put it on you?" she asked. There was no recovering it, and they had no other; so she left him to make out as best he could, and went to her own berth to wait in terror for the certain explosion. It came soon after daylight, when a man's terrible voice rang out through the Pullman and high above the roar of the train, "Who in hell put this thing on me? Hey porter!" The offending wife and her husband kept as still as mice; nor so far as they knew were they ever suspected, tho' for half an hour things were mighty lively. —McAdams in Post-Dispatch.

COTTON GROWERS ASSOCIATION NEWS

Extra Cotton Profits To Association Members

On the 1922 and 1923 cotton crop that was marketed through the Arkansas Cotton Growers Association which consisted of approximately 69,000 bales a saving on three items to the membership was \$118,992.27. The three items on which the saving was made was loose cotton, weight on patches and added weight. The saving was made on loose cotton to the amount of \$12,200.71 in the weight of patches \$61,979.77 and the added weight of cotton amounted to \$44,811.79.

This can be explained by direct questions and answers which have been given by Charles B. Bowling, Traffic Manager for the Arkansas Cotton Growers Association.

Question No. 1. What is meant by a saving in loose cotton?

Answer: The samples of the member's bales of cotton is taken by the compression and sent to the Association classing and grading department. Approximately one-half of this sample is kept for future reference until the cotton is sold and in sampling a part of this sample is thrown on the sample room floor. The sweepings and the samples which have been saved for reference are sold at the end of the season and this item amounted to \$12,200.79.

Question No. 2. What is the cause for the gain in weight of cotton shipments?

Answer: The cause for cotton gaining is due to several things. Cotton is somewhat like a sponge and weather conditions play a part as to its weight. Cotton compresses are generally built over low marshy places and naturally cotton will absorb this moisture. When cotton is shipped for export there is always a good chance for it to gain in weight, at least to some extent, due to the salt air it comes in contact with during the fourteen to twenty-one days aboard steamship. Cotton bagging absorbs considerable moisture at times due to weather conditions. Cotton that is received in a bone dry condition at the first part of the season and has been stored in a compress for some length of time and if shipped to the mill under weather conditions similar to what we have been having viz: rainy and cloudy, it is reasonable to suppose that there will be a gain in weight.

Question No. 3. How is a saving in patches accounted for?

Answer: As we patch our cotton 6 pounds per bale and as this patch costs us in the neighborhood of five cents a pound which includes the original cost, freight and applying charges, you can easily see that the cost will be about thirty cents per bale and if we sell the cotton for thirty cents a pound or a gross profit of \$1.80 per bale less the patching cost of thirty cents makes a net profit of \$1.50 per bale. Our member receives this benefit whereas, if they were to sell their cotton to a buyer, they have no opportunity whatsoever of taking advantage of this point. You also know that we add enough to the out-bound bill of lading weight to take care of any gain in weight, which of course the cotton grower would never get unless he was a member of the Association. You may figure that we are paying freight charges on this increase weight. At the time we are paying these charges, but if our cotton does not gain the total amount added, we are of course billed with this loss in weight, per statement furnished us by the sworn mill weigher. We then take this statement and file claim against the railroad company for overcharge in freight. The net result of this transaction means that we hedge ourselves in case the cotton gains and will actually lose nothing if it did not gain. We, of course, have to keep track of the details involved.

Board of Directors of Missouri Cotton Association To Meet

The Board of Directors of the Missouri Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association will hold their regular monthly meeting at New Madrid on Thursday, February 21. The Board is composed of nine directors elected by the membership from the nine districts in Southeast Missouri. The Board is composed of the following directors: X. Caverno, J. K. Robbins, W. H. Tanner, C. O. Raine, A. R. Zimmerman, O. J. Butler, R. L. Shelby, E. A. Jones and John A. Montgomery.

X. Caverno and W. H. Tanner and J. M. Miles will attend the Board meeting of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Association Director at Little Rock on Tuesday, February 19. The Missouri Association has a representative at all Board meetings of the Arkansas Association.

The Sikeston Standard, \$1.50 year.

FARRIS RESUMES FIGHT FOR M'ADOO IN MISSOURI

State Senator Frank H. Farris, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, who a week ago was said to have deserted William G. McAdoo as presidential candidate in St. Louis today declared that he believed McAdoo's testimony yesterday in the oil inquiry had placed him in a stronger position than before as a presidential candidate, and that he would continue to support McAdoo's candidacy in Missouri.

"McAdoo clearly established the fact in his testimony before the senate committee that he was honorably retained as Edward L. Doheny's counsel", Farris said. "The whole affair was shown to have been a scheme on the part of Senator Reed, a rival candidate, to bring him into the oil scandal for no other purpose than politics."

"I believe the whole affair will react against Senator Reed."

Farris is a member of the McAdoo executive committee. Statements that he had quit McAdoo last week attracted wide attention.—St. Louis Star.

Mules and Hay

We have at the Shanks sale barn 25 head of good mules from 4 to 8 years old, and 25 tons of alfalfa hay for sale. Call and look mules and hay over if you are in the market. —J. T. Boyd Co. 3tpd.

People evidently are losing their superstition about opals. At any rate, long chains of round, milky opals are considered chic today. The opals are alternated with rose quartz or black onyx.

FOR SALE—One store room and one house with five rooms on 2 lots and small stock of fresh merchandise, on North Street. All for \$1500 cash. Also two vacant lots, near shoe factory in the East part of town, for \$750 cash. Call at 909 North St., Sikeston, Mo.

WANTED—A place to do general housework by a settled woman. Must stay at her place. Call 163.



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BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT AT MOREHOUSE

What promises to be one of the big athletic events of the season is the basketball tournament to be held at Morehouse, Friday, February 22, when teams from half a dozen counties will meet in competition for a loving cup.

Morehouse has a regulation court, has hotel and restaurant facilities second to none in this section, and is able to entertain the contestants, teachers and visitors, in a creditable manner, so friends of contesting teams will be well paid for making the trip.

At the present time Hayti, Cape Girardeau, Dexter, Bridges, Sikeston, Morehouse and two other schools will compete.

The Standard heartily approves of the tournament, and all other school activities, as it brings the young folks together and should create a better school spirit in every town and better understanding with one another.

WILL REMOVE RURAL SCHOOL HANDICAP

Jefferson City, Mo., February 12.—There is serious discrimination against the children in one-teacher rural and hamlet schools according to State Superintendent Chas. A. Lee. He cited figures from a recent book saying there are 11,000,000 children in these schools who are lamentably handicapped and neglected. Lee said the per capita expenditure for these schools was \$24 a year and \$40 a year for city children and the average school term is thirty-eight days shorter for one-teacher schools than in city schools. Furthermore Lee showed that 150,000 rural teachers have never completed a four-year high school and ten per cent of 30,000 teachers have only finished the eighth grade.

"We are going to give just as much attention to the rural schools of Missouri as we give to the high schools so this handicap may be removed," said Lee.

A recent ruling of the Department effective September, 1924 provides that no rural school can be approved as first class unless the teacher has ten hours of professional training above a four-year high school and holds a first grade certificate or its equivalent. Thirty hours of college work will be equivalent. For approval as a second class rural school the teacher must have ten hours of professional college work above a four-year high school and hold a second grade certificate.

SIKESTON GIRL SOLVES PROBLEM

Thorne Johnson, the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Johnson of this city, received a check for \$100, Saturday morning last, from the Red Cross Cough Drop Co., of St. Louis, for being the first to solve an advertising puzzle that they put out. This was quite a nice sum to receive by the young Miss and The Standard extends congratulations to her.

W. L. Mitchell left Monday night for St. Louis.

Walter Matthews of Vanduser spent Tuesday in Sikeston.

Jerry Cavanaugh of Canolou was in Sikeston Tuesday, on business.

✓ Born to Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutcheon, Sunday, February 10, a daughter.

Don't forget the pancake waffle sale that is to be given Saturday, February 16, at Dudley's Cafe from 5 to 8 p. m.

Warren Fuqua, another real, regular fellow, who had a herd as good as was ever founded, has been making both ends meet lately by buying mules. And he is some mule man if you ask me. And, of course, I should know. I'm half brother to 'em. The mules I mean. Well, the other day Warren was out lookin' over a pair and some way or another connected with a mule's foot—this mule back-fired I reckon—and now Warren is laid up with a big scar on his face. He was a nice lookin' fellow, too. Well, he shouldn't worry—look at me and my looks. The smallpox I thot had ma-nigh ruined me and I'm as happy as ever.—Jumps Cauthorn in Poland China Journal.

SPECIAL

A groupe of Men's Silk Hose—just arrived—Saturday

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Friday and Saturday

We present to you a tremendous showing of New Spring Coats, Suits and Dresses. Marvelous bargains in these bewitching new garments will impel careful buyers to purchase them.

Our Special Showing of Distinctive Millinery is dazzling in the infinite variety of ultra-chic modes it reveals. Special prices on these new models for Saturday Only

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NEW

Dame Fashion most wanted Collars in Laces and Linens—Just the thing to make your dress look fresh for spring

PROBE WHOLE SYSTEM, PLAN OF VANDERLIP

New York, February 13.—Frank A. Vanderlip today indirectly suggested an inquiry into the conditions of sale of "a certain Marion newspaper, which sold for \$550,000 when it was well known to everyone that it was not worth half that sum".

Speaking before the Rotary Club at Ossining, New York, Vanderlip startled his audience first into silence and then into murmurs of suppressed excitement and finally cheers when he continued:

"Two young men of no financial standing purchased that paper. (President Harding sold his Marion Star for approximately the sum mentioned by Vanderlip shortly before his death.) Everybody in Washington knows this but no one wants to look under the edge of a shroud.

"Where did the money come from? Where did it go? These are matters of public interest".

In his speech as published here today, the financier's utterances constituted the climax of an impassioned plea for a general house-cleaning by President Coolidge in Washington.

"The last administration, he said, 'stands challenged. We cannot wait for Congress or the courts, especially when we remember that Mr. Daugherty is attorney general. Lack of courage and leadership is the under lying evil in American life today. Coolidge has a great opportunity but he needs sufficient courage to go to the bottom regardless of which party he hits'.

Striking out at different individuals who have figured in the Teapot Dome probe, Vanderlip said William G. McAdoo, "like any boy with stolen jam, dropped his client immediately after the client had testified before the investigation committee."

Of the committee itself said "The associates of Senator Walsh are very improper investigators of any moral question. Jim Reed is a political skunk and if he were dusted with asafetida it would perfume him."

"The Senate," he declared, "did not go further in investigating Secretary Fall because Fall was ready to 'peach' and what he would have said would have gone into high places. They did not dare."

Vanderlip then swept into charges against the Veterans Bureau, the shipping board and "the sinister activity of Attorney General Daugherty."

FOURTH OF JULY BLOWOUT HERE

The Fourth of July celebration held at Sikeston last year under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce, was a civic success long to be remembered by those attending. The Chamber of Commerce intends to make these celebrations an annual affair and The Standard herein makes the announcement.

A program will be announced in due time that will meet the approval of the public, and with the backing of our merchants and the co-operation of our citizens, will be a gala affair long to be remembered by those attending.

Other towns not celebrating will be invited to Sikeston and every effort will be made to show them a good time.

Of course, the young folks, and those who are tolerably young, will find the dance hall the great attraction and music that would make a wooden legged man shake his timber, will be provided.

This is but hte advance notice that the Fourth will be observed in fitting style at Sikeston this year and you are expected to set your house in order and help us make a great success.

Mrs. Clem Stucker and Mrs. Jack Reynolds were Tuesday shoppers in Cairo.

Mrs. Fred Smith and little daughter of Morehouse attended the all day meeting of the W. B. A. here, Monday.

The Home Missionary Society booth No. 1 of the Baptist Church, will give a bake sale at the Hess Drug Store, Saturday. The public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Ray Smith returned Wednesday night from New York. Supt. Ellise of the High School, returned from Memphis, Tenn., Thursday morning, where he had been on business.

OPEN MEETING OF WOMAN'S CLUB

A very delightful meeting of the Woman's Club was held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Dempster, on Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Jas. Mocabee was hostess for the afternoon assisted by a committee from the Club.

Mrs. B. F. Blanton acted as leader for the afternoon in the absence of Mrs. Vigal.

The program for the afternoon was a Mark Twain program and Mrs. B. F. Blanton gave a brief, but interesting talk of Mark Twain's life. Mrs. Carroll followed with a reading from a short story by Mark Twain, which was thoroughly enjoyed. Mrs. D. B. Smith, of Cape Girardeau, who is President of the Ninth District, with Miss Mary Kotitzky, who is Secretary of the Wednesday Club, of Cape Girardeau, were guests of the Club. Mrs. Smith addressed the Club on matters pertaining to Club work. Her talk was appreciated and will surely get results.

Miss Violet Benson sang very sweetly, "The Fairies in the Garden".

The Woman's Club voted to assist in every way possible in the oratorical contest that is to be held in all appointed to select same. It is just certain the visiting contestants who will come to Sikeston for the final test.

The Club will also award the winner in the Sikeston High School, a prize as an incentive for a large number of entries. A committee will be appointed to select same. It is just possible that the other Clubs in the different parts of the county who send contestants to the tryout in Sikeston, will award the winner in their respective schools to be given at the same time.

At the conclusion of the business and program, a delicious fruit salad course was served. A silver offering was accepted for the benefit of the Mark Twain Memorial Park in Northeast Missouri and a nice sum was realized.

S. B. Hardwick spent Monday at Bertrand on business.

Mrs. I. H. Dunaway and Mrs. Josie Hart of Morehouse were in Sikeston Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barnett returned Tuesday morning from Texas, where they had been for several days.

Homer Lynn, of Charleston, representing the Standard Computing Scale Co., was in Sikeston this week. He would be glad to receive inquiries from anyone and will give all prompt attention, pd.

The Women Benefit Association gave an all day meeting at the I. O. O. F. hall Monday, with several members and visitors present. At noon a delightful lunch was served which was enjoyed by everyone. The afternoon was spent going over business affairs.

J. G. Lee of Parkin, Ark., and Charles Jen of Crawfordville, Ark., Chinamen, arrived in Sikeston Tuesday morning, looking for a grocery store. Chinese grocery stores usually carry a line of oriental groceries and notions as well as groceries as handled in all stores of this section. These men seem to be well educated and will locate here if they can secure a room.

ANOTHER BIG DRIVE IS NOW ON

A drive to put Sikeston at the head of the list of cities of Southeast Missouri, is now on. Co-operation and determination put over the Shoe Factory Drive in record time. Co-operation and determination will put over this second bigger and more far-reaching drive. At the head of the organizations engaged in this new drive stands the Chamber of Commerce, but to properly CARRY ON this body must have more members. No business can be run without revenue. Neither can the Chamber of Commerce.

The Finance Committee has allotted the membership and has set the goal at 300. They have also ordered a list of paid up members to be published the first of March, June, September and December. This will be the Chamber of Commerce Honor Roll. It behooves every business man or woman to do his or her part. Will your name appear on the Roll?

The Drive for new members starts Tuesday morning. Every real Sikestonian will 'Stand By the Guns'.

Homer Lynn, of Charleston, was a business visitor here Thursday.

Tickets now on sale at Dudley's Place for the Grade School Operetta. Have your's reserved now.

Albert Brown, who was seriously injured in the automobile wreck last Friday night, still remains unconscious, while Mark Sullivan has regained conscious and has spoken a few words. It has been reported that there are slight hopes for Brown's recovery.

Last week The Standard stated that the Farmers Supply Co. Hardware Department would be moved to the Young-Mayfield Building at the same time the Farmers Grocery Co. would move. This was an error. The hardware company will remain at their present stand under the ownership of White & Dorroh. The Farmers Grocery is owned by a different firm and they expect to be installed in the Young-Mayfield Building about March 1.

The W. C. T. U. held an all day meeting at the home of Mrs. Maude Stubbs, with about forty members present. The meeting was opened by a song, "Some Glad Day", by congregation. Scripture lesson 146 Psalm by Mrs. Kready. Decoration of Principals was given by Mrs. C. Greer. The Frances Willard acoustic was given by 15 women. Song by congregation, "Win a Million Members". Reading, "Wake Up Women," by Mrs. T. P. Russell. Accomplishments of 1923 by Mrs. Mabel Baker. The total amount for the year was given by Mrs. Robert Law. The meeting adjourned at 12:00 for lunch. The meeting was again opened at 1:30 by Mrs. Stubbs, with a prayer. A solo was given by Miss Helen Hess, accompanied by Mrs. Ruskin Cook. Miss Busy Body Joins the W. C. T. U., was given by Mrs. Harvey Morrison. A talk on the constitutional Amendments by Mrs. Walter McGee. A reading by Mrs. John Fox, an address by Mrs. Mary Milem, Women's responsibility for the passage of and enforcement of the 18th Amendment. The meeting was enjoyed by everyone present.

McAdoo Has 'Come Clean'

St. Louis, February 11.—"McAdoo is fully vindicated and will run stronger than ever in Missouri" C. C. Oliver, state manager for the ex-secretary of the treasury, said tonight, after reading William G. McAdoo's testimony before the senate oil committee today.

The feeling among McAdoo leaders here is that Mr. McAdoo has "come clean". The conference planned for this week to switch from McAdoo to an unopposed anti-Reed delegation will not be held.

Charles M. Hay of this city, who has been fighting Reed for four years, in a statement tonight said "he is the same Reed who helped them (the Republicans) into the places they have corrupted. The foul brood he now denounces was hatched in the nest his unfaithful hands helped to build. The Reed who hits McAdoo below the belt is the Reed who helped the inhuman pack to hound Woodrow Wilson to his grave."

Mr. Hay placed responsibility for drawing Mr. McAdoo into the oil inquiry upon Senator Reed.

Mr. Oliver, in a formal statement issued from McAdoo headquarters tonight, said:

"The testimony given by Mr. McAdoo on the witness stand today in Washington was in keeping with what his friends had expected. It shows beyond the shadow of a doubt his connection with Mr. Doherty was entirely professional and in the capacity of an attorney he gave his employer the same character of service he gave the public as an official.

"Mr. McAdoo came off the witness stand with flying colors, because he completely vindicated himself in the eyes of all who heard him. But how about Mr. Reed? According to information volunteered by Senator Lenroot and Senator Walsh, both members of the senate investigating committee, it now is clear Mr. Reed's connection with the whole affair was nothing more than an attempt to pay a part of his debt to the Republican party, and, at the same time, embarrass an opponent. Mr. Reed had remained absolutely silent on the oil investigation until he saw an opportunity to 'snitch.' But the effort to embarrass his opponent has had the effect of belittling his own campaign in the minds of those who want to see politics played on the square."

Miss Nadine Moore of Charleston was the Wednesday guest of Mrs. Moore Greer.

The pupils of the Fifth to Eighth Grades will give an operetta next Wednesday evening at the Malone Theatre, the proceeds to be applied as a piano for their school. Turn out and help the children out.

Among the out-of-town visitors from Charleston, who attended the Leap Year dance Wednesday night, were Misses Martha Johnson, Helen Chapman, Margaret Moore, Nadine Moore, Viva Gay and Louise Stewart.

Don't forget the U. D. C. Benefit Bridge party that is to be given at the home of Mrs. W. W. Hinchee Thursday, February 21. Admission 50c. Anyone can make reservations for table by calling any member of the U. D. C. If you care to play Mah Jong bring your set. The public is invited.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Darrell Harris who teaches school at Gideon, spent the week-end with homefolks.

Harry McFarland, traveling salesman, was at home this week-end.

The stork visiting the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Reynolds, Monday, brought a fine baby boy, weighing 7½ pounds. The mother was formerly Miss Mayme Mocabee of this city. Mr. Reynolds is regularly making a 70-mile trip in the evening to get acquainted with his first born. His name is Judson McKinley, Jr.

The Tiger basketballers defeated the Dexter Five Tuesday evening by the overwhelming score of 41 to 13. Three regulars, Cain, Headlee and Parmley were taken out at the end of the first quarter and the game was played with second string men.

Miss Hattie Harp has just received a new Ford coupe.

John Peeler is here from Blytheville, Ark., to see his son Jack, who has been sick with pneumonia.

The date for the Senior play has been set for next week. It is being given early this year to avoid conflicts with later activities. The Seniors are working day and night to get in form for a real live entertainment.

The Juniors of the High School entertained the Seniors at the Tri-angle Club Tuesday night. A very lively evening was spent in playing games and other forms of amusements.

Miss Gretchen Dunaway, who is teaching in Harrisburg, Ill., spent the week-end with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Dunaway.

The Himmelberger Land Company is opening up some new sections of land just north of Morehouse on very easy terms for small tracts of land. It is rumored they will soon establish an office in Morehouse.

A Pig Club has been formed in Morehouse. Eleven boys have joined. The first meeting was held Friday in the Directors room of the Bank of Morehouse, Scott Julian, New Madrid County Agent, presiding, and Bryce Edwards, assisting. A very peppy Club is desired. Any boys who would like to get in on the race, can join. The program is a community farmers' fair and sale next fall and exhibition at various fairs. Some of the boys are joining the Missouri Ruralist State-wide Contest.

Wm. Lowe, as Scoutmaster, and Jesse Wilkins, assistant, have re-organized the Boy Scouts of this city. Three troops have been formed. Henry Hart, Lewis Tickell and Byron Stanley are patrol leaders.

R. C. Finley spent Tuesday in Oran.

Misses Frances Richards and Leona Gallivan of New Madrid attended the dance Wednesday night.

The Ben Hur Lodge held their regular meeting at the I. O. O. F. Hall Wednesday night. Mr. Bradshaw of Arkansas, gave an interesting lecture, which was very much enjoyed.

Bill Carson has announced for Chief of Police of Sikeston and asks for your consideration election day. Everybody knows Bill and knows he will do his duty, if elected, without fear or favor.

REED DESCRIBED AS TRAITOR TO COUNTRY

Columbia, S. C., February 12.—The South Carolina House of Representatives has withdrawn its invitation to address it extended to Senator Reed of Missouri, candidate for the Democratic nomination for President. The House's action, taken last night after a vehement discussion in which only two members expressed opposition, does not affect similar invitations extended to Senator Underwood of Alabama and William G. McAdoo, other candidates for the nomination.

Senator Reed was assailed for his opposition to policies of Woodrow Wilson and also was described during the debate as "a traitor to his country". The resolution withdrawing the invitation states that he "does not represent the highest ideals of the people of this state and is not in thorough accord with the Democratic party, and in our opinion would not be supported by the electorate of South Carolina".

Representative Hanahan of Fairfield opposing the withdrawal as the "act of schoolboys", voiced the opinion that Senator Reed during the war "should have been placed with his back to a wall in front of a firing squad." Representative Gray of Spartanburg, the other opponent of the resolution, held that the action would be "rude" and vigorously criticized executive appointments made during the Wilson administration—including that of Banbridge Colby, "a rank Republican"—because of the staunch church or party affiliations of the official man.

The Mule Party

The night was raw, the party raw-er;
I wish that I had never seen her.
We both were stewed, she was the steeper;
I wish to 'ell, I'd never knew-der.
Someone must lose—I was the loser.
She craved more hooch, could I refuse her?
The town was dry and she was dryer;
White Mule was all that I could buy her.
We found a still, approached the stiller,
And bought a quart of red "Blues Killer".
Now she was sick, but I was sick-er,
So I laid off this bootleg liquor.
They called it "Splint", stirred with a splinter,
And now she rests, where they don't have winter.—Contributed.

Ray Burns spent Sunday at Cape Girardeau with friends.

Mrs. Jas. Cresap of Gideon, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. J. C. Lescher.

The Leap Year dance that was given by the Sikeston girls Wednesday evening was largely attended, several out-of-town people being present. It was reported a wonderful success. We have also been asked to thank the following for their patronage: Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan, Hebbeler Bros., O. W. McCutchen, Ford Sales Co., W. A. White, Geo. Dempster, Missouri Public Utilities Co., and the Sikeston Construction Co.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Tom
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tion of Sheriff of Scott County, sub-
ject to the will of the voters at the
August primary.We are authorized to announce F.
K. Sneed of Chaffee for Sheriff of
Scott County, subject to the will of
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P. Gober of Vanduser for Sheriff of
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primary.

COUNTY ASSESSOR

We are authorized to announce
Chas. A. Stallings, of Morley, for
Assessor of Scott County, subject to
the will of the Democratic voters at
the August primary.We are authorized to announce
Geo. C. Bean, of Illinois, for assessor
of Scott County, subject to the will
of the Democratic voters at the Aug-
ust primary.

CHIEF OF POLICE

We are authorized to announce W.
R. Burks for Chief of Police of Sike-
ston, subject to the will of the vot-
ers at the April election.We are authorized to announce J.
H. Hayden, for Chief of Police, of
Sikeston, subject to the will of the
voters at the April election.We are authorized to announce J.
B. Randol for Chief of Police of Sike-
ston, subject to the will of the vot-
ers at the April election.We are authorized to announce Bill
Carson for Chief of Police of Sike-
ston, subject to the will of the vot-
ers at the April election.

POLICE JUDGE

We are authorized to announce Jos.
W. Meyers for Police Judge of Sike-
ston, subject to the will of the vot-
ers at the April election.We are authorized to announce J.
C. Lescher for Police Judge of Sike-
ston, subject to the will of the vot-
ers at the April election.

CITY COLLECTOR

We are authorized to announce S.
N. Shepherd for City Collector of
Sikeston, subject to the will of the
voters at the April election.Mrs. Wallace Reid will be on the
film at the Malone Theatre Friday
evening in "Human Wreckage." This
is a story of "dope" that finally killed
Wallace Reid. This should draw
a packed house as it is more or less
personal to every community in the
country.The Missouri Farmers Association
with headquarters at Columbia have
issued a bulletin on Constitutional
Amendments and are advising all
farmers to vote "No" on Nos. 2, 3, 5,
6, 7, 10, 12, 13, 14 and 15. They
might just as well advise farmers to
vote "No" on all of them in order to
make no mistake.The editor takes his following ex-
tract from a private letter from
Washington, D. C.: "The flowers for
Wilson were wonderful, the entire
church or chapel was so covered that
it looked as if it was made of flow-
ers. They were sent from every
State in the Union and from every
country in the world. People who
were opposed to Wilson ideas wept
to see and to think of the struggle
he had put up for the past four
years."The members of the Chamber of
Commerce made no mistake, Mon-
day night, in the selection of officers
for the new year. In Mr. Brenton,
the president, we have new blood
that is in position to keep in touch
with all new enterprises that might
be gotten for Sikeston. The Stand-
ard promises close co-operation with
Mr. Brenton and assistants, and will
do anything in its power to assist
them in making Sikeston a bigger
and better city. To the retiring pres-
ident, John A. Young, we wish to ex-
press our appreciation of the hard
work performed by him as president,
and to say that he was never asleep
on the job and part of the time had
little support and encouragement.
His term of office will stand out as a
red letter term in the history of Sike-
ston as it was during his adminis-
tration that the big shoe factory
was induced to locate in our city. May
the public take more interest in the
Chamber of Commerce is our wish.

As Between McAdoo and Reed

Development at Washington last
Friday, while temporarily unfavor-
able to Mr. McAdoo, have served the
good purpose of causing people to
inquire into the propriety of public
men engaging in private employ-
ment.Which was worse, people are asking
for McAdoo, a private citizen, to
practice law in a legitimate way for
a corporation in matters having nothing
whatever to do with properties in
the United States, or for James A.
Reed, a public servant, to practice
law for either corporations or individ-
uals if such practice deprives his
constituents of his services at times
when matters of very grave import-
ance are pressing for solution?There is regret, of course, among
McAdoo's admirers that he had busi-
ness relations of any sort with the
Doheny company, since the public is
now in such a state of mind, due to
wholesale corruption in Government
circles from oil leases, that even a
minister of the Gospel could hardly
carry a coal oil can out of a village
grocery store without becoming an
object of suspicion. But, in spite of
all this, even the worst enemies of
Mr. McAdoo concede that it was just
as legitimate for him, a private citi-
zen to draw a salary from Doheny's
company for professional services as
it is for the thousands of other pri-
vate citizens who serve as clerks,
truck drivers, accountants and man-
agers.If, however, Mr. McAdoo, a private
citizen, is to be condemned for prac-
ticing law as a private citizen, what
are we to say about James A. Reed
and others who neglect public inter-
ests, as he did when the Newberry
case was before the Senate, in order
to serve private clients in distant
courts?While nobody claims that the public
lost anything through the service
McAdoo, the private citizen, rendered
to the Doheny company, who knows
but that great benefits to a tax-
ridden and plundered nation might
have resulted if Mr. Reed had been
directing his terrific powers of
investigation against tariff barons and
other sorts of profiteers from his seat
in the Senate during the weeks and
months he was looking after his own
interests and the interests of his
clients hundreds of miles from the
national capital? And who knows but
that the two cents a pound tariff tax
we pay on clothing, shoes, provisions,
machinery and other necessities of
life, might have been entirely elimi-
nated, or at least greatly modified, if
Mr. Reed could have found time to
contend as earnestly against them in
the Senate as he did at times for
clients whose cases before juries took
him away from duties which had first
claim on his attention in Washing-
ton?We are not defending Mr. McAdoo,
of course, for there is no charge of
improper conduct against him.
Whether his name was dragged into
the inquiry at Washington for the
purpose of destroying him as a presi-
dential possibility, to distract at-
tention from corruption in Govern-
ment circles, or for the public wel-
fare, is a matter on which there is a
difference of opinion. What we are
objecting to is any attempt to turn
McAdoo's temporary misfortune to
the political advantage of a public
man whose practice of law, even tho'
for clients of the highest type, may
really deserve more criticism under
the circumstances than that of Mr.
McAdoo.—Paris Appeal.The editor knows just how it feels
to be an old man as he has been in
bed part of the time during the week
battered up with a severe cold in the
head. We know what used to be
good for this sort of feeling, but hy-
drant water doesn't touch the spot.One bandeau for evening wear
shown in New York today is an ex-
tremely odd archaic crown of dull
gold. Its plain, wide band is orna-
mented simply with a "Walls of
Troy" pattern that stands out fully
half an inch. The bandeau is made
of gold galloon.Between cooking and washing,
Mrs. Eliza Swope, aged 66 years, of
Bettsville, O., finds time to build
houses. She is on her third dwelling
and has built several barns and
frame structures. She draws the
plans herself, orders the material and
hires the help. But she works, too,
wielding a hammer, scaling ladders
and totting a hod.On Wednesday night, February 20,
at the Malone Theatre, the Japanese
Operetta, "Yanki San" will be pre-
sented by the children of the upper
grades of our public schools. This
is the third and last operetta this year
and it is hoped that there will be a
full house in order that the last pay-
ment may be made on the new Mies-
ner piano, which the children have
bought this year with their entertain-
ments.

The Longevity of Presidents

The death of Woodrow Wilson af-
ter being out of office less than three
years recalls the fact that one Pres-
ident lived more than twenty-five
years after bidding goodbye to the
White House. That was John Adams,
who lived four months longer than a
quarter of a century after his term
expired.Six presidents died in office. They
were William Henry Harrison, who
was President only one month; Zach-
ery Taylor, who was President a lit-
tle over a year; Warren G. Hard-
ing, who died August 2, 1923, after
serving two years, four months and
twenty-nine days; and Abraham Lin-
coln, James A. Garfield and William
McKinley, who were assassinated.
Grover Cleveland lived eleven years
three months and twenty days after
completing his second term, but as
he was an ex-President four years
before his second term began he is
entitled to fifteen years, three months
and twenty days.Three former presidents died on the
Fourth of July. They were John
Adams and Thomas Jefferson, who
passed away on Independence day,
1826, and James Monroe, who died
July 4, 1831. James K. Polk lived
only three months and eleven days
after his term expired.The length of time former presi-
dents lived after retiring from office
follows:John Adams, 25 years, 4 months;
Martin Van Buren, 21 years, 4 mo.
20 days; Millard Fillmore, 21 years,
3 days; James Madison, 19 years, 3
months, 24 days; John Quincy Ad-
ams, 18 years, 11 months, 19 days;
Thomas Jefferson, 17 years, 4 mo.;
John Tyler, 16 years, 10 months, 14
days; Grover Cleveland, 15 years 3
months, 20 days; Franklin Pierce, 12
years, 7 months, 4 days; Rutherford
B. Hayes, 11 years, 10 months, 13
days; Theodore Roosevelt, 9 years,
10 months, 2 days; Ulysses S. Grant,
8 years, 4 months, 18 days; Andrew
Jackson, 8 years, 3 months, 4 days;
Benjamin Harrison, 8 years, 9 days;
James Buchanan, 7 years, 2 months,
28 days; Andrew Johnson, 6 years, 4
months, 27 days; James Monroe, 6
years, 19 months, 30 days; George
Washington, 2 years, 7 months, 10
days; Chester A. Arthur, 1 year, 8
months, 4 days; James K. Polk, 1
year, 1 day.William Howard Taft, chief justice
of the supreme court of the United
States, is the only living ex-Presi-
dent. He has been out of office since
March, 1913.Marie Angelique, Duchess of Fon-
tanges, was the successor to Mme.
Montespan in the affections of Louis
XIV. "She was beautiful as an an-
gel, but silly as a goose," said the
Abbe Choisi of her. As soon as she
had thoroughly captivated the mon-
arch she became haughty and ex-
travagant, spending at times as much
as 100,000 crowns a month. She be-
came the general dispenser of the
King's favors, and the model of fas-
hion. Made a Duchess by the King,
she did not long enjoy the rank and
honors, as she died at the age of 20,
in the Convent of Port Royal, at
Paris.The death of Woodrow Wilson will
serve to focus the contempt of the
nation he served so nobly upon those
hate-ridden members of the United
States Senate who were persecuting
a New York girl, personal secretary
to Edward Bok, when the former
president was stricken last week.
Bok, it will be remembered, had of-
fered \$100,000 for the best plan for
securing world peace through inter-
national co-operation. For this hein-
ous offense anti-Wilson Senators de-
manded an investigation. Bok's girl
secretary was hailed to the witness
stand. Day after day, while Agricul-
ture was perishing and the masses of
America were being muled by in-
trenched privilege from behind its
tariff barriers, those august states-
men, who ought to have been stand-
ing forth as champions of their op-
pressed constituents, were grilling
that girl like she was an outlaw,
while Big Business, its sides shaking
with laughter, continued to pick the
pockets of the poor. The inquisition,
of course, was inspired by hatred of
Woodrow Wilson and his efforts to
end war, just as the Jewish Sanhed-
rin's persecution of helpless girls and
consecrated men was by malice for a
martyred Prince of Peace two thou-
sand years ago. And, even as men in
the last judgment will cry out for
the rocks and the mountains to fall
upon them and hide them from Om-
nipotent wrath, as the Scriptures
foretell, so will certain members of
the United States Senate feel like do-
ing, we imagine, as the world turns
from grieving at Woodrow Wilson's
grave and lets loose upon them the
contempt it feels for the course they
were pursuing when this Twentieth
Century Martyr to Christian ideals
was stricken last week.—Paris Ap-
peal.FARM BUREAU NEWS
FROM NEW MADRIDCott Schools
The farmers of Dunklin and Mis-
sissippi Counties are very enthusias-
tic over the results of the cotton
schools held in their counties by Ide
P. Trotter, cotton specialist for the
University of Missouri. Mr. Trotter
has proved to them that he knows his
subject and has been able to inform
them on many points of vital inter-
est in the growing of cotton. He will
hold a series of these schools in New
Madrid County.Portageville, February 15, at 1:00
p. m.New Madrid, February 18, at 11:00
a. m., Courthouse.Parma, February 19, at 10:30 a.
m., Odd Fellows Hall.Gideon, February 20, at 10:00 a.
m., Opera House.Libbourn February 21, at 10:00 a.
m., City Hall.Matthews, February 22, at 10:00 a.
m., City Hall.Marston, February 23, at 10:00 a.
m., City Hall.Every farmer intending to grow
cotton this next year should make it
a point to attend, at least, one of
these schools. They cost nothing and
they will be worth real money to
him. He will learn the things that
most cotton growers have had to
learn through bitter experience and
at great cost.Millinery Specialist Visits New
Madrid County.Miss Mary E. Robinson, Millinery
Specialist for the University of Mis-
souri, conducted a two day school in
hat making for the women of New
Madrid County. The school was held
at Libbourn and many from several
other communities attended.New styles of hats were made and
trimmed and children's hats were also
made. The school was very much of
a success, and the women attending
were very pleased with the result ob-
tained. Said one, "I am now able to
make my children's hats at a very
small cost."Miss Robinson will return to New
Madrid County in the near future to
conduct a school in garment making.
Without a doubt, the school will be
well attended as Miss Robinson has
proven that she is not only good at
making hats and clothing, but is also
able to pass this information to oth-
ers.New Madrid County Receives Visit
From Soil and Field Crops ExpertA. C. Carter, Field Crops and Soil
Specialist of the University of Mis-
souri, was in New Madrid County
during the past week. Mr. Carter
made a trip for the special purpose
of locating a farmer to put on a field
crop rotation demonstration.The rotation that he had figured
out was cotton, corn, wheat and clo-
ver. "This," said Mr. Carter, "ought
to solve the rotation problem for
Southeast Missouri. It is almost im-
possible to get less than four-year
rotations where cotton is included in
the rotations, however, a four-year
rotation if followed, will prove more
satisfaction in the end than a short-
er one."Mr. Carter talked to several farm-
ers and while he did not make any
definite statement, it is believed that
he has found a farmer to carry on
this demonstration.Sodotol Lowest Priced Agricultural
Explosive"Sodotol is absolutely the cheapest
agricultural explosive ever distrib-
uted to the farmers of Missouri," states
A. J. McAdams, Extension Specialist
in Land Clearing for the MissouriCollege of Agriculture, in an address
at Gideon to the Directors and mem-
bers of the Southeast Missouri Agricul-
tural Bureau, Wednesday night.
Mr. McAdams further stated that
there is not the slightest intimation
that there will ever be a cheaper ex-
plosive available.In order to show what it means to
use Sodotol to blast stumps and
what it means to use dynamite for
the same purpose Mr. McAdams used
the following figures: Suppose you
have an acre of ground having 50
stumps on it. Assuming that it would
take an average of three sticks of
dynamite to blast one of these
stumps, the dynamite would cost
about 36 cents and the cost of blast-
ing the acre would be \$18.00. By
using Sodotol and placing an equal
amount under the stump, it would
cost about nine cents to blast one
stump and to blast the fifty stumps
on the acre would cost \$4.50. "This
shows," states Mr. McAdams, "that
a saving of about 250% is affected
by using Sodotol as compared to us-
ing commercial dynamite after the
Sodotol is exhausted. In view of
these facts, I know of no better time
to blast stumps at the maximum sav-
ing of dollars and cents than at the
present time while the Sodotol is
available."According to statistics, the annual
income from agricultural products in
Southeast Missouri is \$42,000,000
from 1,800,000 acres of improved and
partially improved land. This annu-
al income could be materially increas-
ed one-half in the stumps occupying
cultivated fields were removed. This
would bring a much larger income to
the farmer at a lower cost of produc-
tion and would tend to make more ef-
ficient farms.Use warm milk in mixing a baked
custard to prevent the water that
often settles in the bottom of baking
dishes.A little vinegar or lemon juice
added to the water in which cabbages
are cooked improves the flavor and
color and lessens the odor which
arises from such vegetables while
cooking.The blouse that tears out under
the arms is not useless. Cut off the
upper portion of the blouse sew a
wide ribbon or lace at top of the re-
maining section, add shoulder straps
and you have a camisole that will
give you good service.MISS REBA HELTON
WEDS SIKESTON MANMiss Reba Helton, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. J. L. Helton, North Cape,
on Saturday, became the bride of
Rebel Glass of Sikeston. The couple
were married by Justice of the Peace
C. M. Gilbert, 137 North Main. Fol-
lowing the ceremony, a dinner was
served at the home of the bride. The
couple will make their home in Sik-
eston, where Glass is the proprietor
of a pool room.—Cape Missourian.

Excellent Pot Roast

Choose the round of beef, known as
the pot roast. Put 2 tablespoons of
lard and 2 tablespoons of butter in a
stew pan over a medium fire; place
roast in vessel and cover for three orfour minutes, then put 5 or 6 small
white onions around the roast and
pour a bit of vinegar on top of the
roast, covering quickly and browning
first on one side and then on the oth-
er until brown on all sides.Add 1 cup of lukewarm water and
when it is almost gone add more. Do
not permit steam of kettle to evap-
orate because it has a tendency to
make the meat tough. Cook until
tender then remove meat.By this time the onions will be
cooked into a heavy gravy and
should be dark brown in color; then
add 2 tablespoons cornstarch moist-
ened with a little cold water, and ½
cup of canned tomatoes or tomatoe
puree; stir all together until quite
thick.

The Standard \$1.50 per year.

Best of New Hats

Best in style and quality, you will
approve of this showing of new
Hats for Spring and early summer
wear.Our first complete showing is now
ready for your inspection.

The Elite Hat Shop

A Ten Dollar Bill

Isn't it worth as much to
you as to any one else?Under a new plan we save a lot of expense usually tack-
ed onto the price of implements from the time they
leave the factory till they reach the farmer's hands.There is waste in the distribution of farm implements.
Cooperation between manufacturer, dealer and farmer
cuts out the needless expense. Your cooperation will
help. We will save the waste and give you the savings.Wouldn't ten or twenty or thirty or more dollars off
the cost of your implements this Spring be worth
investigating?Especially implements that are better in Quality. Our
implements are as fine a line as you may ever wish to
see—improved designs—many new tools—a line recog-
nized for years as Quality Implements—all at **Savings
Offer Prices.**Let's cooperate. See us at once for your Spring re-
quirements.

FARMERS SUPPLY COMPANY

Implement Department



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—the summerland of win-
tertime. Where the warmth
of springtime and the joy
of songbirds and flowers is
yours all winter long.ROUND TRIP TICKETS
AT REDUCED FARESNow On Sale, Good For Re-
turn Until June 15th.Let me tell you how little a
ticket costs; and how
quickly and comfortably
the trip may be made.

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Sikeston, Mo.

MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

One of the best meetings held by the Chamber of Commerce during the past year, was that of Monday, at which time officers for the new year were elected. Fifty members were present, as well as ten non-members.

The officers elected were: President, C. E. Brenton; 1st Vice-President, R. G. Applegate; 2nd Vice-President, C. E. Mitchell; 3rd Vice-President, J. A. Young; 4th Vice-President, J. L. Matthews; 5th Vice-President, J. T. Foster; Finance Committee, O. W. McCutcheon, Ed Fuchs, J. W. Black, M. M. Beck, H. Hebbeler. In securing this corps of officers the Chamber of Commerce is especially fortunate in that every last one of them is a hustling, public-spirited, individual who is not afraid to give some of his valuable time in the interest of the community without expectation of remuneration and without fear of losing a little money while being absent from his business while on such community work.

The report of the President, which is printed below, sets out the accomplishments of the Chamber of Commerce during the past year and contains certain suggestions for the new year. This report speaks for itself. It is a splendid report and was well received by the audience.

But in addition to the matters mentioned in the report which were freely discussed, other matters which were taken up and acted on were a new postoffice for Sikeston, the new sewer system which is to be voted on in March, the Drummers' Association which is to be held in May and the dinner and installation of officers to be held February 25, at which time an expert cotton man is to be the principal speaker.

With reference to the dinner which is to be given to the new and the old members and their wives, it was decided to put that Faithful Old Whirlwind, L. C. Erdmann, in charge of the arrangements and to give him as assistants Fred Schorle and Charles Hebbeler. One of the features of the program will be a report of the results of a drive for new members, which is to be put on at once and which is to end February 25.

In this drive two teams will start on a trip to the Panama Canal, one in a Ford motor car and the other on an elephant. Each dollar secured will be credited to the team securing it as one mile on the journey. If you will watch the bulletin boards at Dudley's and in The Bijou you can see how the contest is stacking up from day to day.

Space will not permit a further elaboration of the meeting. You are requested to be present at the installation of Officers on the evening of February 25, at which time many important activities for the new year will be outlined.

The Accomplishments of the Cham-

ber of Commerce for the Year Ending February 29, 1924—And What Is Now Ahead of It. By J. A. Young, President.

First—After the newly elected officers began functioning the Chamber of Commerce sent a committee composed of James S. Kevil and C. F. McMullin to St. Louis for the purpose of interviewing President Kurn on the needs of a new Frisco depot for Sikeston. That the committee was successful in its efforts, is evidenced by the fact, that plans for the new depot are now ready for the inspectors and the building will be erected this summer.

Second—With the co-operation of the entire membership the Chamber of Commerce landed a shoe factory with a capacity of 800 employees. This factory is now in operation with a force of nearly 300 employees, which force is being added to as rapidly as the workers can be trained. This accomplishment alone is worth more to Sikeston than the Chamber of Commerce would cost the members for fifty years to come.

As a direct result of this feat there has been seventy-two buildings erected during the past year at a cost of \$374,200, which was distributed among the working people of Sikeston as far as labor is concerned and among the business man of Sikeston as far as materials, clothing, and eats are concerned.

Third—While on the shoe factory drive we landed an ice cream factory, which would be a credit to any city as there is not one in the state that is more modern and up-to-date than the one we have in our midst.

Fourth—Because of the great influx of colored folks due to the great amount of cotton that was being planted in the vicinity, the Chamber of Commerce started a move which resulted in the Sunset addition being laid out for colored people and at a later meeting with about twenty members present the negro problem in Sikeston was solved and the negroes themselves as well as the white property owners who might be inclined to sell or rent property to negroes, now know where the colored settlement is located. This action of the Chamber of Commerce probably averted serious race troubles in the future.

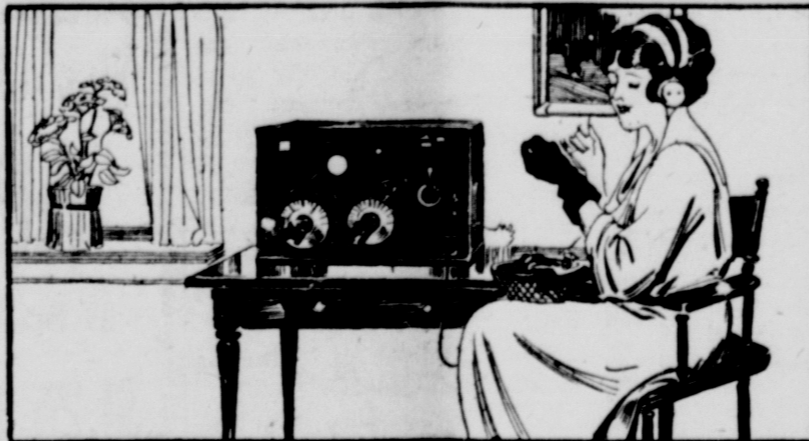
Fifth—The Chamber of Commerce pulled off the biggest one-day celebration on the Fourth of July, 1923 that was ever heard of in Southeast Missouri. It was the first real Fourth of July celebration that had been held in Sikeston in twenty years. We had 10,000 people out to see a set of fireworks that was a credit to any city. Everybody is looking forward to the next annual Whiz Bang.

Sixth—By its prompt and energetic action in securing the signatures of the merchants of Sikeston to an agreement not to have anything to do with an organization calling itself the United Farmers of America, the Chamber of Commerce saved the merchants from being hood-winked to the extent of several thousand dol-

We Are Going to Continue

Our Sale and the following prices will prevail

30x3 Tire	\$7.09	-	Tube	\$1.47
30x3 1-2 Tire	7.45	-	Tube	1.58
30x3 1-2 Cord	9.33	-	Tube	2.19
32x4 Cord	20.81	-	Tube	2.43
33x4 Cord	21.48	-	Tube	2.52
34x4 Cord	22.05	-	Tube	2.67
32x4 1-2 Cord	31.12	-	Tube	3.30



RADIOS—BIG BARGAINS

\$27.50 \$30.00 \$55.00 \$57.00
\$90.00 . Loud Speaker \$19.50

Louis C. Erdmann
Sikeston Missouri

lars, such as was done in several cities in neighboring states.

Seventh—The Chamber of Commerce organized the Merchants League which has since developed a Retail Merchants' Credit Association, which will cover Southeast Missouri and will save the business men thousands of dollars from dead-beats and others who are inclined to fail to pay their bills.

What Is Yet To Be Done

First—A most important problem now before the Chamber of Commerce is that of putting over the bond issue for the new sewerage system. The bonds must be voted if our city is to progress as it should. Quite a little opposition, principally upon the part of the ignorant or the prejudiced, is developing and it will require the assistance of not only every member of the Chamber of Commerce, but of the entire citizenship of our city as well, if we make a go of it. Right here is where we will have to ask the ladies of our town for assistance, for too much depends on a good sewer system for us to fail in this matter.

Second—We have a communication on file from a man who says he will be here in a few weeks to talk over the advisability of locating a Cotton Seed Oil Mill. The Chamber of Commerce must bend every energy toward putting that over, too.

Third—A man who now has a packing house in Louisville and Paducah, Ky. and in Memphis, Tenn., will meet with us the fourth Monday in February for the purpose of discussing the advisability of locating a packing house at Sikeston. If we are on our toes and extend to him the proper encouragement he will no doubt put in a large plant here as this will be an ideal location for such a plant for many different reasons.

Fourth—We must not pass up the idea of a Mammoth Cotton Compress, which we are assured we will have this year. The thing to do is to get the biggest and the best, for that is what Sikeston deserves.

Fifth—We are to have the Drummers' Association with us in May. Let's make royal preparations for them so that they will say that this meeting was the best they ever had, for they are a big hearted bunch of men and when they feel kindly toward a town, they are the best walking advertisement that it can have.

Sixth—The time is now ripe for the Chamber of Commerce to put over a hospital for Sikeston, and if we go after it now, we can purchase an ideal building and plot of ground at a decided bargain.

Seventh—The Chamber of Commerce must begin planning soon for

its next Whiz Bang. If we announce early that we will hold an even bigger celebration than we pulled off last year, we will probably scare off some of the other towns who are in the habit of who may contemplate holding Fourth of July celebrations this year.

Eighth—The Chamber of Commerce should also (a) change meetings of members from bi-monthly to monthly or every other month and have Executive Board composed of officers and Finance Committee meet at least bi-monthly. (b) Raise dues for Associate Members from \$5 to \$6.25 per year and admit to such membership all citizens who have the welfare of the community at heart, but who do not care to take out active memberships. Clerks, teachers, ministers, etc., would come under this classification. (c) Add membership Committee to the standing committees to be appointed by the President with a member of the Finance Committee as Chairman. (d) Admit women to membership and throw open meetings to them. (e) Solicit as active members all businesses, hotels, boarding houses, rooming houses, owners of office buildings, professional men, corporations and all others who derive financial gain from the growth and betterment of the community. (f) Start a drive for new members to end February 25, at which a dinner will be given to the old and the new members and their wives and sweethearts. Drive to be conducted by two teams of three members who will enter into a contest conditions of which to be determined. (g) Order the Commerce Committee to lay plans at once for the compiling and publishing of a book-

let setting out the advantages of Sikeston as a business and residence center, same to be published quarterly under the editorship of the Secretary.

The accomplishments enumerated above were managed at a cost of \$12.60 per member. As we have approximately 120 paying members our income was around \$1500. Out of this we have paid the secretary, rent, telephone and lights to say nothing about stationery, telegrams, chairs, a walk to the shoe factory, other expenses incident to the shoe factory drive and the interest and part of the principal of the Pig Club notes. Of course the income from the dues did not nearly cover the necessary expenses but part of the shortage was made up by the profits on the Whiz Bang and the picture show that we successfully pulled off and from the receipts of the sale of the remainder of pigs belonging to the Pig Club members.

Now, folks, this is the last meeting in our fiscal year and our by-laws call for an election of officers for the new year. Right here, I want to thank those of the officers and committees for their help during the past year for if we had not had that help, we could not have done what we did.

In selecting your new officers, I want to suggest that the main thought to keep in mind is to select the individual for each office that is especially fitted to perform the duties of the office to which he is elected, who is not afraid of work and who is interested enough in the advancement of Sikeston to at least attend all of the meetings of the Chamber of Commerce. I am sorry to say that some who were elected last year, have not attended a single meeting unless it was during the Shoe Factory Drive. As a further suggestion, I believe it would be wise for you to select new blood as nearly as possible for I believe that would have its effect in getting more people out to the meetings and in creating a new interest in the Chamber of Commerce.

J. W. Adams spent Wednesday in New Madrid on business.

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Matinee at 3:00 o'clock, 10 and 20 Cents.
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COMING:

GLORIA SWANSON in "THE HUMMING BIRD."

Alfred Swacken returned Tuesday morning from St. Louis.

Sterling E. Jones of Sikeston was a Cairo visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Wood of Memphis, Tenn., is the guest of heir son, John F. Wood.

FOR RENT—1 furnished room, modern. For information call Mrs. Henry Ferrell, Phone 267.

The little folks expect to give you your moneys worth with their operetta next Wednesday eve.

To clean greasy vessels, add half a teaspoonful of paraffin oil to the water and much time will be saved.

FOR SALE—Four-room house and barn. J. B. Randol will show property.—R. W. Modglin. 2tpd.

FOR SALE—Burroughs small size adding machine, almost new. A real bargain. Call at 424 E. Center St. 1tp

Lady Astor has given \$50,000 to the housing trust to alleviate the housing problem in Plymouth, Eng.

County Agent Hearne, of Cape Girardeau County, paid The Standard office an appreciated visit Wednesday.

T. P. League, father of Mrs. Henry Welsh, who has been ill for sometime, is not much improved at this writing.

Teapots should be rinsed out daily with boiling water and well dried inside and out. The lid should always be left open.

Miss Carrie Shrieffer, of St. Louis, arrived in Sikeston Wednesday. Miss Shrieffer will be located with Miss Daisy Garden.

Miss Hazel Huhn, of Cape Girardeau was among the out-of-town visitors who attended the Leap Year Dance at the Mecca Hall, Wednesday night.

The four youth in the "Shiek" case were bound over to Circuit Court at a preliminary hearing to day at Cape Girardeau on "shiek" charges preferred by three Cape Girardeau girls. Bonds for the defendants were fixed by Justice Gust Shultz as follows: Geo. Marable and Clarence Johnson of Charleston, both \$3000, and Dan Sutton and Lib Halley, of Jackson, \$10000, each.

The girls who testified as to the night's events were: Ruth and Helen Cope and Gladys Mills. Rut Cope testified that the alleged attack took place near Kelso, which added an extra tangle for the prosecution and on which authorities say may result in the filing of additional charges by the officers of Scott County.

Trustee's Sale

WHEREAS, Mae Gross Dillingham and Orville Dillingham, her husband, by their certain deed of trust dated the 1st day of January, 1922 and recorded in the Recorder's office of Scott County, at Deed Book 36 pages 585-586, conveyed to the undersigned H. D. Rodgers all their right, title, interest and estate, in and to the following described Real Estate, situated in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, viz:

Forty-five (45) feet off the west side of lot numbered nine (9) in lots one (1), two (2) and three (3) in Dan McCoy's subdivision to Trotter's addition to the City of Sikeston, Scott County, Mo.

Which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of a certain promissory note in said deed described, and whereas the said note has become due and unpaid, and whereas interest on said debt is past due and unpaid, now therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said Deed of Trust, and at the request of the legal holder of said note, I will proceed to sell the above described Real Estate at the Court House door in the City of Benton, in the County of Scott, State aforesaid, to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction, on

Saturday, the 8th day of March, 1924 between the hours of nine in the between and five in the afternoon of that day to satisfy said note and interest together with the cost and expense of executing this trust.

H. D. RODGERS,

Trustee.

Dated this 14th day of February, 1924.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

The Sunday school class taught by Mrs. W. M. Critchlow went on a picnic Sunday near Cape Girardeau. The young folks had lunch about 2:30 on this side of the Cape, after which they motored on into Cape. They returned about 7:30, declaring a most delightful day spent.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Weatherford and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gossitt and sons, and Mrs. Glenn Ashworth were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lancaster, Sunday.

Mrs. F. E. Story gave a surprise birthday party for her husband Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stewart, one mile north of Matthews. The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Sibley, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. King, Mr. and Mrs. Loy Roberts and Mr. and C. C. Buchanan of Fairview. The evening was most delightfully spent in playing cards and dancing. Refreshments were served at a very late hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Daughtery and Miss Lillie spent Sunday in Lilbourn visiting relatives.

Mrs. Florence Woodard went to New Madrid Sunday, on business.

The Misses Andres of Sikeston were in Matthews Sunday.

Mrs. Tom Brooks is very ill at this writing.

Little Misses Louise and Camille Mitchell of Canalou spent Saturday with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Weeks.

G. F. and W. H. Deane motored to New Madrid Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Emory and children and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Weeks motored to Canalou Sunday evening.

Mrs. John G. Smith and children of Canalou and Leonard Baughn of Cape Girardeau were guests of their sister, Mrs. R. H. Weeks and husband.

Miss Nota Hall of St. Louis was in Matthews Tuesday.

Fred P. Howden spent Tuesday in New Madrid on business.

Mrs. Ellis Saunders, of St. Louis, is the guest of Mrs. R. C. Finley.

WANTED—A girl for housework. Apply at The Standard office.

Buy a couple of tickets and help the grade school pay for their piano.

Robert Lillard, of Columbus, Ky., is the guest of Mrs. Anna Winchester.

Mr. Hill, of the Hardwick Merc. Co. is back from a business trip to St. Louis.

Sheriff Kirkendall of Benton was a business visitor in our city, Wednesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Deed of Benton, Tuesday, February 12, a daughter.

County Agent A. J. Renner of Benton was in Sikeston Wednesday, on business.

FOR SALE—Lot 20, blk. 12, Chamber of Commerce addition.—Habs Machine Works.

FOR RENT—3 furnished rooms for light housekeeping.—Hoosier Land & Investment Co.

C. C. White has started his spring cleaning by having his store painted on the inside.

FOR SALE—1½ acres, good 6-room house, some out buildings, plenty of fruit on place, on Northwest Street, near the Fair Grounds. See Elmer Caldwell, Sikeston, Mo. Box 546 3tp.

WANTED—A position as foreman or laborer, on farm. Have had fourteen years experience in cotton production. One year in this district. Reference given.—Geo. W. Anderson, Sikeston, Mo. tf.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce G. F. Deane, of Matthews, as a candidate for Sheriff of New Madrid County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

Mrs. D. B. Smith and Mrs. Otto Kochtitzky of Cape Girardeau attended the all day meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. Maude Stubbs. Mrs. Smith is President of the Ninth District of Women's Federated Clubs.

The regular meeting of the Young People's Missionary Society was held at the home of Miss Evelyn Sutton, Monday evening, with Miss Mabel Barnett as leader. The evening was very much enjoyed, going over business affairs, after which a delightful luncheon was served. The next meeting will be at the home of Miss Lola Shankle, in March.

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Murray Mathis of St. Louis is a business visitor in Sikeston.

H. F. Kirkpatrick of Benton was in Sikeston Thursday morning. While here he paid The Standard office a visit.

Mrs. S. B. Hardwick spent Thursday at Bertrand with relatives.

Miss Veda Newman returned Tuesday afternoon from Murphysboro, Ill., where she had been visiting relatives.



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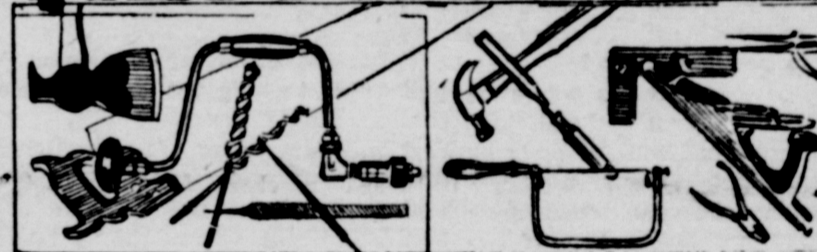
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SOUTHEAST MISSOURI
AGRICULTURAL EMPIRE

By Roy Godsey

(Continued from last issue)

A ready-made network of railroads was indeed a fortunate circumstance for the lowlands. A ready-made system of hard-surfaced wagon roads would have been equally fortunate. But this was not provided. Nature neglected even to lay a stone or pebble in several of the counties. It is true that in the old settled portions the quality of the soil permitted very fair graded earth roads, but in the drainage districts road conditions during the first ten or fifteen years of the pioneering were about as bad as possible—in fact, to bad to be tolerated by Southeast Missourians.

The vision and enterprise which made possible the completion of the greatest drainage and reclamation project in America has led during the past six years to the construction of the most complete system of hard roads in the State of Missouri.

Directly after the passage of the Hawes Road Law in 1917, which extended state and federal aid to counties and road districts, Southeast Missouri counties quickly took necessary measures to match dollars with state and federal funds. Mississippi County was the first county in Missouri to vote road bonds under the Hawes Road Law. The other Southeast Missouri Counties followed promptly.

Between four and five million dollars of local road funds were raised within the entire district. This amount has been matched by state and federal aid, making a total of approximately ten million dollars expended upon the hard roads in advance of the sixty million dollars state road program.

At the present writing Dunklin County is the first county in Missouri which has completed the surfacing of its entire State road mileage. The federal primary road extending from Birds Point on the Mississippi River, opposite Cairo, Ill., to Poplar Bluff, a distance of about 80 miles across the lowlands, is completed. This road is perhaps the most important in the district. Its completion makes it possible for the

first time in the history of this section to drive by wagon or auto from the hills at Poplar Bluff directly across the lowlands to the Mississippi River. This road is an important through traffic artery to the Southwest as well as a means of transportation and communication not hitherto enjoyed within the district.

Southeast Missouri's great need has always been, and continues to be, for men and money to develop her fertile lands. The need for more man power is being supplied in a most remarkable and unexpected manner. Cotton farmers from the south are pouring into the district by thousands.

The need for money to carry forward development in a new country is never quite satisfied so long as the country is new. But ordinarily the need for man power in a new country may be less easily supplied than the need for investment capital. An unusual condition therefore exists in Southeast Missouri at the present time—a new country, so to speak, has abundant man power and cheap labor.

It is a condition that offers opportunities for investment, undoubtedly more favorable than have existed at any previous time since the beginning of the district's development.

In Southeast Missouri, the north and the south overlap. No other farming section grows all the crops of both the north and the south as they are grown in this section. Corn, wheat, clover, alfalfa and cotton grow side by side with records of production in both quantity and quality.

Southeast Missouri is in the corn belt. It is in the wheat belt. It is in the cotton belt. The effect of climate on the distribution of crops and different kinds or classes of each crop is very important. In Southeast Missouri the winters are mild—once in a while a light snow falls that leaves almost as soon as falling—the heat of summer not extreme—the growing season so long that corn planted as a catch crop after wheat or oats always matures enough to make excellent silage and generally enough to be cribbed. Corn yields in many sections equal those in any other part of the corn belt, both in quantity and quality—the long season allowing the large varieties to mature. Cowpeas are regularly planted as a second crop following the harvest of wheat or oats.

Winter wheat yields are as high as in any part of the Mississippi Valley. Alfalfa does as well as in any other place in the United States.

Clover yields cannot be excelled and two cuttings after wheat are not unusual.

The success of the cotton crop in Southeast Missouri has created unusual interest. Land owners and tenants who have never grown cotton heretofore are now planting cotton.

During picking season the hum of hundreds of gins can now be heard where only a few years ago was the hum of the saw.

Wheat grown in the Southeast Missouri lowlands is said by the milling trade to be of the best quality of winter wheat obtainable. A yield of less than 30 bushels per acre upon well improved and well tended land is the result of an intolerable season. Wheat grows very rank and tall, but fortunately it is stiff stemmed. A man must be almost a six-footer to stand flat-footed in many of the fields and see anything but the wheat about his nose and the sky above.

Harvest begins about June 10. Threshing follows quickly. Ordinarily the crop is sold a month in advance of threshing in other winter wheat sections. The premium that is commonly received by reason of this opportunity to sell on the old crop market is one of the factors that causes Southeast Missouri farmers to devote a very large acreage yearly to wheat.

There are only a limited number of silos in the entire section. The answer is mainly—winter wheat pasture. Winter pasturing of the usual rank fall growth, with a degree of judgment, takes nothing from the yield of grain.

Southeast Missouri lends itself admirably to the production of calves and also furnishes the best of feeding conditions for producing mature beef cattle.

The foundation for success in growing cattle is a favorable climate, plenty of good water, plenty of good grass and plenty of winter feed.

On the lowlands farmers sink sand points in a few minutes time to the depth of around twentyfeet and obtain a well with an inexhaustible supply of water.

Usually pasture is available twelve months out of the year. In fact, as an exceptional winter when cattle cannot be grazed throughout the entire year. Along with alfalfa, many farmers utilize rye and wheat as a winter pasture. In the spring clover is used.

The short milk winter makes extensive barns and sheds for the protection of cattle feed bill which the northern beef producer cannot avoid. Frequently a herd of cows may be wintered around a straw pile which they generally consume before the winter is over. If the ground does not get too soft for them to pasture on it, calves and young cattle will run all winter on wheat or rye pasture and make good gains.

Second, as a corollary of a short winter is the long grazing season. Stock are turned out on pasture the first of April and allowed to run on the math of meadows and stalk fields until the middle of December or first of January.

Third, there is grown everything that is necessary for successful production of beef. Winter pastures are wheat and rye, and for summer the clovers, white, alsike and red timothy, red top, blue grass, sudan grass, orchard grass and lespedeza, which is a native here. Corn makes from 35 to 75 bushels to the acre, depending on the season, and a crop of corn for the silo can be grown after a clover crop is harvested or after wheat. For hay, there is clover, alfalfa and cowpeas. The later is grown after a crop of wheat or oats, and is harvested in time to sow the land in wheat again. Cotton is grown extensively and cotton seed meal is produced in the territory within trucking distance.

Fourth, there is an inexhaustible and easily available supply of pure water. An inch and a quarter pipe driven to a depth of twenty feet, which can be put down in an hour's time at a cost of not over fifteen dollars, will furnish water for five hundred head of cattle. A few years ago, when a terrible drought prevailed over the country and the farmers in some of the western states were having water shipped in tank cars for their stock, a stockman from Southeast Missouri relates the following:

"I had occasion to move some stock from one pasture to another, and when we do this we usually take the well along. The pipe had been pulled and was ready to be put down in the new location. I proposed to the men who were doing the work, for me that we see how quickly we could make a well. I held the watch on them, and in just eighteen minutes from the time they commenced driving, they were pumping an inexhaustible stream of water for the stock.

Fifth, and last, Southeast Missouri is only one hundred and eighty miles from the National Stock Yards at St. Louis, which is becoming one of the leading livestock markets of the country.

Taking everything into consideration, Southeast Missouri can produce beef cheaper than any other part of the country, and the same holds true of pork.

In 1922, the eight Southeast Missouri counties had on farms approximately 75,000 head of beef type cattle of all ages, valued at \$1,356,000. Cape Girardeau County stood first with approximately 15,000 head and Butler County second with 14,000.

There has been a falling off in the number of beef cattle bred in this section, but the value has increased. In 1913, according to the county assessor's returns, the eight Southeast Missouri counties had a total of 78,557 head valued at \$789,955.

The opportunity to develop dairying as an industry in Southwest Missouri has not been overlooked. Cape Girardeau and Stoddard Counties are in the lead with the greatest number of dairy cattle on farms and fluid milk production.

The growth of the urban population and improved methods of handling and improved methods of handling milk have steadily widened the field of distribution. The Southeast Missouri farmer is afforded the opportunity to deliver milk to St. Louis over any one of three trunk lines which cross the Southeast Missouri section from north to north. With St. Louis using approximately 250,000 gallons of milk daily and the demand steadily increasing, the farmer in Southeast Missouri has found the cow a profitable investment. Fluid milk production in the north part of this southeast section has more than quadrupled in the last five years.

A number of years ago the farmers of Cape Girardeau county imported purebred Guernseys as foundation herds. In Scott, Stoddard and Butler counties more purebreds were brought in, but in most cases from dairy regions in the north and east part of the United States.

Many farmers in ordinary circumstances have improved their herds and increased the milk production by keeping grade cows and buying purebred bulls. Many of the young bulls from imported cows bought by Cape Girardeau county farmers have been sold to farmers on the club plan and as a result there is a tendency to increase the grade of cattle now being kept to supply the demand for milk.

In the hills along the north and west border of Southeast Missouri cheap land is being made to pay a price with dairy cattle.

Favoring dairy development is the cheap land, mild climate, pure water, plentiful pasturage and ideal market for the milk or dairy products.

The hill sections are along the west border of Southeast Missouri is favorable to sheep raising.

The commercial development of hog raising in Southeast Missouri has made rapid strides.

Through pig clubs organized by county agents, in many instances, to interest the boys and girls, better breeding stock has been established as foundation herds. Through the banks, the clubs have been financed where finances were needed.

The possibility of producing pork at a low cost has been an important factor in the Southeast Missouri section. With the variety of crops

Practically all of Missouri's cotton is produced in the eight Southern, the above east Missouri counties. Southeast Missouri is not only producing a greater yield to the acre than any other cotton area or state, but two and one-half times as much per acre as the average of the counties as a whole.

The average annual production per acre for the cotton states is 124.5 pounds, which shows Missouri to lead with an increase of 165 per cent over the entire Cotton Belt in yield per acre. In many instances in Southeast Missouri the yield is from a bale to a bale and a half per acre.

While cotton is relatively a new crop in the northern half of the Southeast Missouri district, it has been generally grown throughout the southern half of the district since the first settlements were made. In 1893, Dunklin County was recorded as the banner cotton county of the United States.

In 1922, Southeast Missouri produced approximately a \$17,000,000 crop of cotton, and in 1923 approximately \$24,000,000 worth of cotton.

The cotton acreage for 1923 is estimated as follows: Butler County, 28,500 acres; Cape Girardeau, 2,500; Dunklin, 87,100; Mississippi, 31,500; New Madrid, 75,500; Pemiscot, 82,500; Scott, 33,500; Stoddard, 25,000.

A cotton co-operative marketing association was organized in Southeast Missouri for the first time in 1923.

The cotton farmers have taken a few pages from the books of capital and union labor. A few years ago the farmers of Oklahoma formed a cotton marketing association. It is a co-operative, non-profit corporation. The movement has spread very rapidly, and now practically every cotton state has an association. They have joint offices in the cotton-consuming centers all over the world, and co-operate with each other instead of competing. They hold their members' cotton in bonded warehouses by borrowing money on it in large amounts, at low rates, pool the various classes and sell it by grades, direct to the mills, instead of dumping it on the market at picking time.

The government has not only legalized these co-operative selling agencies, but has provided the machinery for financing them. The courts have approved their contracts. In 1922 those who marketed their cotton through the association received from \$20 to \$25 per bale more than those who sold in the seed at picking time.

Corn and wheat have long since reached their true pre-eminence in Southeast Missouri. These grain crops have been among the most important field crops produced both in acreage and value since the swamp lands were cleared of timber and drained.

In many instances, yields of corn have ranged from 75 to 100 bushels to the acre and wheat yields from 35 to 40 bushels to the acre. The highest yields are made on the black or bottom soils, and the heavier types of sandy soil. Of course, the average yields per acre in all Southeast Missouri, including the partially improved and incompletely drained land and all types of soil, run much lower than these figures.

During the war there was a tendency to increase the wheat production in Southeast Missouri, but recently there has been a decrease in wheat acreage. Much of the wheat land is being used for cotton. Corn is holding its own throughout most of the counties in this section.

The average growing season for corn in Southeast Missouri is 180 days and many seasons are on record of 210 days. The average in the extreme north of the United States is 120 days and in the Gulf States 240 days. Corn is grown here very much as corn is grown elsewhere. The season for planting is from April 1 to July 4. Quite frequently the farmer who has time and needs to do so, will break wheat stubble directly after harvest and plant it to corn. A yield of 50 bushels per acre grown in this fashion is on record. Corn yields are uniformly good if a semblance of rotation is practiced.

In Mississippi county was pointed out to the writer a field that was planted to corn forty years in succession. Then it was surprised with an oats crop sown with clover, which was turned under the following spring and planted back to corn. The corn was all sold in the fall, and the yield accurately and reliably figured at 96 bushels per acre.

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The foundation for success in growing cattle is a favorable climate, plenty of good water, plenty of good grass and plenty of winter feed.

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Second, as a corollary of a short winter is the long grazing season. Stock are turned out on pasture the first of April and allowed to run on the math of meadows and stalk fields until the middle of December or first of January.

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Fourth, there is an inexhaustible and easily available supply of pure water. An inch and a quarter pipe driven to a depth of twenty feet, which can be put down in an hour's time at a cost of not over fifteen dollars, will furnish water for five hundred head of cattle. A few years ago, when a terrible drought prevailed over the country and the farmers in some of the western states were having water shipped in tank cars for their stock, a stockman from Southeast Missouri relates the following:

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The growth of the urban population and improved methods of handling and improved methods of handling milk have steadily widened the field of distribution. The Southeast Missouri farmer is afforded the opportunity to deliver milk to St. Louis over any one of three trunk lines which cross the Southeast Missouri section from north to north. With St. Louis using approximately 250,000 gallons of milk daily and the demand steadily increasing, the farmer in Southeast Missouri has found the cow a profitable investment. Fluid milk production in the north part of this southeast section has more than quadrupled in the last five years.

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grown on Southeast Missouri farms, hogs may be pastured and kept in good growing condition almost the entire year, requiring only a minimum of mill feed or corn to finish for market.

It is a common practice among many farmers to fatten hogs in a corn field where cowpeas or soybeans has been planted with the corn. After the corn has been shucked, hogs are turned into the field and they not only clean up the left-over corn but will fatten on the peas or beans.

The co-operative marketing of hogs, in fact all classes of livestock suitable for market, is increasing rapidly in Southeast Missouri. The co-operative marketing is firmly rooted through the organization of it is estimated that 75 per cent of the business of the co-operative shipping association in Southeast Missouri consists in marketing hogs.

The co-operative plan in Southeast Missouri is similar to some 6000 co-operative shipping associations handling livestock in the United States. The advantages of the co-operative shipping have been pointed out too often to require restatement.

Alfalfa in Southeast Missouri is not only a crop of high feeding value but yields a profit in seed. It also furnishes splendid pasture during the winter season, and being a deep rooted plant by nature, fills the soil with fleshy roots, rich in organic matter and nitrogen. This causes a rank growth to succeeding field crops.

In Pemiscot County alfalfa was produced that was awarded first premium at the Chicago Columbian Exposition, 1893 the St. Louis World's Fair and the Fair at San Francisco.

In Southeast Missouri the farmers look upon alfalfa as the choice of hay crops.

By no means all of Southeast Missouri is alfalfa land. There are many types of the alluvial soil excellent for general farming which will not grow it without the same special preparation required on northern corn belt lands. There are hundreds of thousands of acres of Southeast Missouri upon which alfalfa grows with a thrift and vigor that is beheld in only a few localities in the United States. Throughout these areas you may see hundreds of faultless alfalfa meadows. It has been uniformly the most profitable crop grown. In a year of depressed farm values it has netted \$50 per acre above all expenses of growing, harvesting and marketing the hay.

Practice in sowing and harvesting the hay vary according to locality, for the alfalfa area in Southeast Missouri extends 15 miles from north to south, and the great meadows in Pemiscot County are ready to cut 10 days earlier in spring than those in Mississippi County and the northern part of the Delta section.

(Continued in next issue)

Equal parts ammonia and turpentine will take paint out of clothing. Saturate the spot two or three times and afterwards wash out in soap suds.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the first annual stockholders' meeting of the SKESTON TRUST COMPANY will be held at its banking house in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, on the 20th day of February, 1924.

Said meeting to be convened at 9 o'clock A. M. and continued during at least three hours, unless the object for which such meeting is called, be accomplished sooner.

The purpose for which this meeting is called is to elect two directors for the said TRUST COMPANY, to serve during the ensuing three years, and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

G. B. GREER, President.

Attest: L. M. STALLCUP, Secretary.

Issue 8th and 15th.

Notice of Administration

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That Letters Testamentary on the estate of Sarah E. Shelby, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 4th day of February, 1924, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

FRANK A. DENTON,

Witness my hand and seal of the Probate Court of Scott County.

(SEAL) THOS. B. DUDLEY, Probate Judge.

Notice of Special City Election

Pursuant to an ordinance duly passed by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Sikeston, Missouri, and approved by the Mayor of said City, notice is hereby given that a special election will be held in the four different wards of said City of Sikeston on Tuesday the 4th day of March, 1924 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said City a proposition that said City increase its indebtedness in the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), and that the said Board of Aldermen be authorized to borrow money and issue bonds in the said sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the purpose of constructing a sewer system in said City of Sikeston, Missouri.

The voting places in each of the four wards of said City of Sikeston, Missouri, on said date, will be at the following places:

LETTER FROM THE AGRICULTURAL BUREAU

Board Meeting at Gideon

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau was held at Gideon Wednesday of last week. The following members were present: President Montgomery, Fred Naeter, W. H. Heisserer, E. C. Matthews, Thad Snow, Solon E. Wright, L. J. Dunn and Secretary Foard.

A resolution was adopted asking Governor Hyde and President Brooks, of Missouri State University, to release at least \$5000 of the State Agricultural Extension money, which has been held up by the Governor, for the purpose of establishing outlying cotton experiment fields in Southeast Missouri.

A. J. Meyer, director of Agricultural Extension Service in Missouri, was present and stated that he and his forces were constantly being called upon by Southeast Missouri farmers for information about growing cotton. The best varieties to grow on different soils, use of fertilizers, etc., soon to be a real problem just now. The need for experiment fields

along this line in Southeast Missouri is obvious.

The Extension Service has a cotton specialist and man force sufficient to carry on this work, but no funds available to work with. The establishment of such fields would be worth thousands and possibly millions of dollars to Southeast Missouri if they could be put into operation immediately.

Should the funds be released an experiment field would be placed on every distinctive soil type in each county and would provide valuable and accurate information for the future.

The Board also endorsed the movement of re-establishing the incline on the Missouri Pacific and Cotton Belt railroads at Bird's Point and agreed to co-operate with the business interests of Cairo, Ill., in bringing this about.

A New Madrid County banquet, served by the ladies of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Church of Gideon, was served the Board members, a large number of the citizens of Gideon and many visitors from Kennett, Clarkton, Malden and Campbell, Wednesday evening. All the food served, and it was bountiful indeed, was produced in New Madrid County. W. R. Anderson was

toast master. A number of good speeches were made. The teachers and pupils of the public schools had an active part in the program, which consisted of instrumental music and songs by the girls' glee club. One of the outstanding events on the program was the rendering of a song by the glee club, entitled, "100 Years in 10". The title was taken from the Southeast Missouri moving picture and the verse and music was composed by Miss Pearl Connelly, one of the teachers.

After the program, the audience went to the theatre and viewed the Southeast Missouri moving picture.

New Members From Cairo

Additional members of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau from Cairo, Ill., since the last report are: Bucher Packing Co., P. T. Lang, an Lumber Co., Denison-Gohson Dry Goods Co., Cairo Real Estate Corporation, Kaufman Bros. Dry Goods Co., Schuh Produce Co., Wood and Bennett Grocery Co., Weber Dry Goods Co., Cairo National Bank, and Halliday Hotel.

Southeast Missouri Bulletin Out

The new bulletin published by the Missouri State Board of Agriculture, entitled, "Southeast Missouri an Agricultural Empire", is just off the press. Copies can be had by writing Jewel Mayes, Secretary State Board of Agriculture, Jefferson City, Mo.

Resolutions

Adopted at meeting of Board Directors of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau held at Gideon, February 6, 1924.

WHEREAS, The development of the cotton growing industry in Southeast Missouri has created an emergency demanding immediate and complete information on all phases of cotton growing, and,

WHEREAS, Southeast Missouri presents a wide variation in soils, each type requiring special study in relation to adaption of cotton varieties and cultural practices, and

WHEREAS, A portion of the appropriation made by the last Missouri General Assembly to the Agricultural Experiment Station for the support of outlying crop experiment fields is temporarily held in reserve and unexpended,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That we, the duly authorized representatives of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau, respectfully urge that his Excellency, Governor Arthur M. Hyde, and Dr. Stratton D. Brooks, President of the University of Missouri, co-operate to the end that no less than \$5000 of said reserve be made available for the immediate establishment by the Agricultural Experiment Station of a complete system of cotton experiment fields in Southeast Missouri.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed to present this resolution in person to the Governor of the State and the President of the University within the next few days.

MODERN MACHINERY AID TO MAINTENANCE

The best road in the long run is the hard road. But there are many localities where the use of the hard road does not permit its cost to be an economy for the community. Hence the sand-clay, gravel, shell, and other types of roads, not hard surface, which are built.

Such roads require constant maintenance if they are to remain smooth. Formerly such work was done by teams. But modern ingenuity has provided road tools which can be applied to trucks, with a great economy of time, labor, and money.

As an example, consider Kent County Mich., where, according to the annual report of the County Road Commissioners, there are 252 miles of gravel roads, varying in width from 10 to 16 feet, the total width of the grade varying from 20 to 30 feet.

Nearly all the scraping and grading work is taken care of by scrapers attached to trucks, which with the scraper attachment, travel about 10 or 12 miles per hour. Each truck does the work of six or seven teams.

Nine trucks equipped with scrapers maintain an average of nearly 30 miles each. The quality of the work of this kind of equipment is said to be much better than with horse-drawn equipment, and it takes less supervision to look after this kind of maintenance organization.

The gravel roads are kept smooth by the constant use of scrapers or graders, and by the application of thin layers of screened gravel where required. One-half inch to one inch of screened gravel is kept on the surface of the road all the time; by scraping around to fill ruts and holes, it is possible to maintain a smooth road under a traffic of several thousand vehicles a day.

The Standard \$1.50 per year.

MISSOURI WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Kansas City—Plans approved for construction of huge memorial hospital for former service men.

Stratford—Campaign launched thruout district to increase strawberry acreage for coming year.

St. Louis—Concordia Seminary breaks ground for construction of \$2,500,000 group of buildings.

Pratt—First Church of Christ, costing \$45,000, now under construction.

Springfield—Contract awarded for erection of large grandstand at Western Association park.

Kansas City—William Rockwell Nelson school costing \$70,000 to be erected.

Hollister—Cotton valued at \$60,000 shipped from district last season.

Kansas City—13-story apartment hotel to be erected on Wyandotte street.

Moberly—Construction of 7-mile of hard-surfaced road to Huntsville practically assured.

St. Genevieve—Has best quality white lime to be found in country. Industry assuming over-increasing proportions. New machinery and equipment being added to plants.

Monett—Local overall factory turning out 1250 pairs overalls daily.

Boone county ships first carload of tobacco in forty years giving promise of revival of industry.

Columbia—Contract left for construction of first unit of University of Missouri memorial tower, costing \$105,000.

Joplin—Chamber of Commerce opens department for development of agricultural industry in this district.

Marshall—New Virginia Hotel completed.

Slater—New school building nearing completion. 2250 miles of state road completed during 1923.

Mt. Vernon—Carnation Company's new \$250,000 plant nearing completion.

Weston—268,025 pounds of tobacco sold here during past week.

Washington—Direct telephone service now established between here and St. Louis.

111 new rural school buildings completed in Missouri during 1923.

St. Joseph—Contracts to be left for resurfacing Funkhauser road.

Willow Spring—Nebraska concern to open \$30,000 creamery here.

Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad to spend approximately \$5,500,000 on improvements in 1924.

Webb City—Construction of hard-surfaced streets to connect east and west highways planned for this city.

Joplin—Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to spend \$31,000 repairing and improving long distance line between here and Gray's Summit.

St. James—Contract to let to So-well Well Company for construction of water and sewer systems.

Charleston—Plans being made for establishment of plant for Caradino Harvest Hat Company.

Homer Lynn of Charleston was a Sikeston visitor Tuesday.

If chewing gum is stuck to a skirt, coat or any wearing apparel it should not be scraped off. Hold a piece of ice tightly over the gum a few minutes. The gum will harden and crumble and then may easily be brushed off without injuring the garment.

A gentleman whose appendix sometimes troubles him and who is in the habit of applying a mustard plaster to his back upon these occasions, went on a trip with his wife. They had berths in a Pullman, and of course took with them the trusty plaster. During the night the husband suffered one of his attacks. He managed to wake his wife in a nearby berth, and she got up to prepare the plaster. The car was quite dark when she emerged from the wash-room, but making her way to what she took for her husband's berth, she opened the curtains, described dimly a man lying there on his face, and with a few deft movements had the plaster on his back. She then crept back to her own berth, but in a little while heard her husband call her again. She went to him. "Where is the mustard plaster?" he asked. A horrible suspicion shot through her. "Gracious! Didn't I put it on you?" she asked. There was no recovering it, and they had no other; so she left him to make out as best he could, and went to her own berth to wait in terror for the certain explosion. It came soon after daylight, when a man's terrible voice rang out through the Pullman and high above the roar of the train, "Who in hell put this thing on me? Hey, porter!" The offending wife and her husband kept as still as mice; nor so far as they knew were they ever suspected, though for half an hour things were mighty lively.—McAdams in Post-Dispatch.

COTTON GROWERS ASSOCIATION NEWS

Extra Cotton Profits To Association Members

On the 1922 and 1923 cotton crop that was marketed through the Arkansas Cotton Growers Association which consisted of approximately 69,000 bales a saving on three items to the membership was \$118,992.27. The three items on which the saving was made was loose cotton, weight on patches and added weight. The saving was made on loose cotton to the amount of \$12,200.71 in the weight of patches \$61,979.77 and the added weight of cotton amounted to \$44,811.79.

This can be explained by direct questions and answers which have been given by Charles B. Bowling, Traffic Manager for the Arkansas Cotton Growers Association.

Question No. 1. What is meant by a saving in loose cotton?

Answer: The samples of the member's bales of cotton is taken by the compressman and sent to the Association classing and grading department. Approximately one-half of this sample is kept for future reference until the cotton is sold and in sampling a part of this sample is thrown on the sample room floor. The sweepings and the samples which have been saved for reference are sold at the end of the season and this item amounted to \$12,200.79.

Question No. 2. What is the cause for the gain in weight of cotton shipments?

Answer: The cause for cotton gaining is due to several things. Cotton is somewhat like a sponge and weather conditions play a part as to its weight. Cotton compresses are generally built over low marshy places and naturally cotton will absorb this moisture. When cotton is shipped for export there is always a good chance for it to gain in weight, at least to some extent, due to the salt air it comes in contact with during the fourteen to twenty-one days aboard steamship. Cotton bagging absorbs considerable moisture at times due to weather conditions. Cotton that is received in a bone dry condition at the first part of the season and has been stored in a compress for some length of time and if shipped to the mill under weather conditions similar to what we have been having viz: rainy and cloudy, it is reasonable to suppose that there will be a gain in weight.

Question No. 3. How is a saving in patches accounted for?

Answer: As we patch our cotton 6 pounds per bale and as this patch costs us in the neighborhood of five cents a pound which includes the original cost, freight and applying charges, you can easily see that the cost will be about thirty cents per bale and if we sell the cotton for thirty cents a pound or a gross profit of \$1.80 per bale less the patching cost of thirty cents makes a net profit of \$1.50 per bale. Our member receives this benefit whereas, if they were to sell their cotton to a buyer, they have no opportunity whatsoever of taking advantage of this point. You also know that we add enough to the out-bound bill of lading weight to take care of any gain in weight, which of course the cotton grower would never get unless he was a member of the Association. You may figure that we are paying freight charges on this increase weight. At the time we are paying these charges, but if our cotton does not gain the total amount added, we are of course billed with this loss in weight, per statement furnished us by the sworn mill weigher. We then take this statement and file claim against the railroad company for overcharge in freight. The net result of this transaction means that we hedge ourselves in case the cotton gains and will actually lose nothing if it did not gain. We, of course, have to keep track of the details involved.

Board of Directors of Missouri Cotton Association To Meet

The Board of Directors of the Missouri Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association will hold their regular monthly meeting at New Madrid on Thursday, February 21. The Board is composed of nine directors elected by the membership from the nine districts in Southeast Missouri. The Board is composed of the following directors: X. Caveno, J. K. Robbins, W. H. Tanner, C. O. Raine, A. R. Zimmerman, O. J. Butler, R. L. Shelby, E. A. Jones and John A. Montgomery.

X. Caveno and W. H. Tanner and J. M. Miles will attend the Board meeting of the Arkansas Cotton Growers' Association Director at Little Rock on Tuesday, February 19. The Missouri Association has a representative at all Board meetings of the Arkansas Association.

The Sikeston Standard, \$1.50 per year.

FARRIS RESUMES FIGHT FOR M'ADOO IN MISSOURI

State Senator Frank H. Farris, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, who a week ago was said to have deserted William G. McAdoo as presidential candidate in St. Louis today declared that he believed McAdoo's testimony yesterday in the oil inquiry had placed him in a stronger position than before as a presidential candidate, and that he would continue to support McAdoo's candidacy in Missouri.

"McAdoo clearly established the fact in his testimony before the senate committee that he was honorably retained as Edward L. Doheny's counsel", Farris said. "The whole affair was shown to have been a scheme on the part of Senator Reed, a rival candidate, to bring him into the oil scandal for no other purpose than politics."

"I believe the whole affair will react against Senator Reed".

Farris is a member of the McAdoo executive committee. Statements that he had quit McAdoo last week attracted wide attention.—St. Louis Star.

Mules and Hay

We have at the Shanks sale barn 25 head of good mules from 4 to 8 years old, and 25 tons of alfalfa hay for sale. Call and look mules and hay over if you are in the market.—J. T. Boyd Co. 3tpd.

People evidently are losing their superstition about opals. At any rate, long chains of round, milky opals are considered chic today. The opals are alternated with rose quartz or black onyx.

FOR SALE—One store room and one house with five rooms on 2 lots and small stock of fresh merchandise, on North Street. All for \$1500 cash. Also two vacant lots, near shoe factory in the East part of town, for \$750 cash. Call at 909 North St., Sikeston, Mo.

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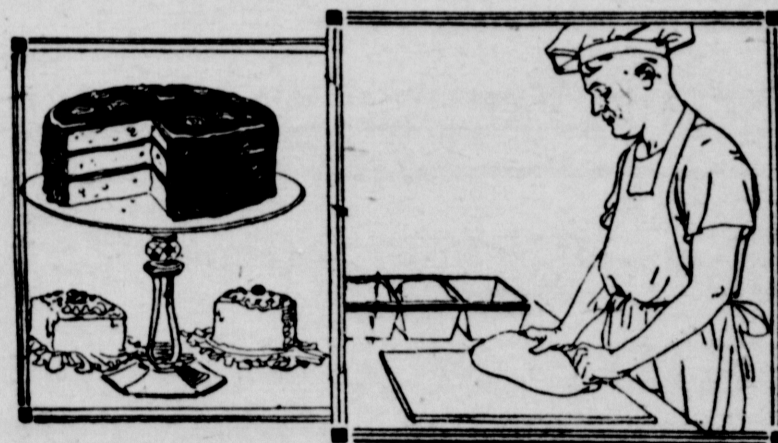
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